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Today's Weather: Light South winds, becoming fresh Northeast later. Fog patches at first, becoming fair. Cooler, overcast conditions, with drizzle developing later.  
Moon Observations: Barometric pressure, 1010.7 mbs. 28.83 in. Temperature, 73.8 deg. F. Dew point, 63 deg. F. Relative humidity, 80. Wind direction, East. Wind force, 14 knots. High water: 7 ft. 8 in. at 7.13 p.m. Low water: 7 in. at 3.58 a.m. (Tuesday).

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## SHIP RUNS AGROUND NEAR COLONY

### "Heavy" Mandalay Fighting

Rangoon, March 13.—The government announced "heavy fighting" was under way in Mandalay on Sunday.

The communists said a counter attack was being prepared against Karen rebels who drove into the city on Friday night.

That was the only mention in the Sunday communique of Burma's second largest city. Karens broke into Mandalay originally by sneaking through the government defence line at Holobon, 15 miles away.

Sunday's military bulletin reported a large scale offensive would be launched soon against the Karens. Troops will move about a 100 mile front. The drive would have as its goal the capture of Toungoo and the rebel positions from Toungoo to Kynak.

The government said its planes blew up ammunition and food dumps in a raid on Karen headquarters at Insein, ten miles north of Rangoon. The water station was reported badly damaged. Eighteen Karens were said to have been killed and seventy wounded.—Associated Press.

### Big Transformer Explodes

Paris, Mar. 13.—A 45,000-volt transformer exploded today at Beauron, near Lille, Northern France, causing France's second power station fire in a week.

The flames spread rapidly to several 15,000-volt transformers and firemen fought for hours to control the blaze, which caused damage estimated at about £10,000. The area was without power today.

On Tuesday night, the out-buildings of France's largest hydro-electric plant at Genis-siat, on the Rhone, were extensively damaged by a fire of unknown origin.—Reuter.

### The Chungking Reported To Be At Chinwangtao

Shanghai, Mar. 14.—Contrary to Chinese press reports, the Chinese cruiser Chungking was seen a few days ago, undamaged and lying at anchor in Chinwangtao, and has now gone to the Soviet-controlled Manchurian port of Haicun, according to "reliable eye-witnesses" quoted by the China Press today.

Formerly the British cruiser Aurora, the Chungking recently defected to the Communists and was later reported in Hongkong Chinese press to have been bombed and sunk by the Nationalist Air Force.

Eye-witnesses in question, who were not identified, were reported to have said the warship was seen lying at anchor undamaged, and had apparently not been attacked by planes.—Reuter.

### Canadian Plan To End Indonesia Deadlock

Lake Success, March 13.—A new Canadian plan to end the political deadlock in the Indonesian case was reported developing on Sunday among UN Security Council delegations.

Various delegations were said to be ready to back Canada's suggestion that the UN Commission for Indonesia should try to clear the way for a round-table conference to settle the question. The Council resumes debate on the Netherlands-Indonesian dispute on Monday.

The Netherlands started the idea of a round-table conference. The Indonesian Republic refused to attend because its exiled leaders have not been restored to their capital as demanded in a Security Council resolution.

Canada's plan is to have the UN Commission in the Far East Republic try to get the Dutch and Indonesians to agree on a time and conditions for a round-table conference. The Council's resolution ordered the Republic's exiled leaders to Jogjakarta, their capital in Java, as the first step toward a transfer of sovereignty. The Dutch refused to do this. They said violence and chaos would result.—Associated Press.

### Police Car Stolen

London, Mar. 13.—London's police tonight provided for a patrol car, a bit of their own property, stolen from in front of the Southward District police station.—Reuter.

### Reds Announce New Govt.

San Francisco, Mar. 13.—The Chinese Communist radio today announced that a "provisional people's government" has been organized in the area directly north of the Yangtze, the last area captured by the Communists.

A North Shensi radio broadcast, announcing the new government, was heard in San Francisco.

The broadcast said that "the Central Plains Provisional People's Government" was created on March 7.

General Liu Po-cheng, who played an important role in driving the Nationalists out of the region, was listed as one of 21 Councilmen.—Associated Press.

### Refloated, Towed Into Port

### PANIC ABOARD

Early this morning the Chinese ship ss Haven chartered by the International Refugee Organisation, arrived in tow of the Taikoo Cheong, a tug from Taikoo docks, after having run aground yesterday afternoon in exceptionally dense fog, a few miles Southeast of Hongkong.

The vessel, now lying off Taikoo Docks, is at anchor with a 30 degree list.

The Polish Captain, Mr George Chunechen, told a Hongkong Telegraph reporter this morning that there was never any danger of the ship sinking, but certain elements of the crew took panic, and without any orders, gave distress signals from the ship's siren and took to the boats.

Capt. Chunechen said that after they had left Samar Island where they had dropped a load of International Refugee Organisation passengers, they received a message to proceed to Hongkong to take on 1,000 tons of coal and then proceed to Shanghai.

During yesterday afternoon they had tried to enter the harbour, but as the fog descended they turned about and drifted around to wait for the fog to lift again. During this time continual soundings were taken.

Soon after the fog cleared and the Captain started once more towards Wagon, but again they were blanketed off as the fog came down again. They slowed down once more to wait for a clearing and just as they ran aground, the Captain saw the land and rang down for full astern. Within five seconds, he said, they slid off and anchored.

### SLIGHT DAMAGE

During the next clear patch, under their own steam, they proceeded to within two miles of Wagon, but were forced to anchor again. During this time the water had been seeping through the opening in the stern and the vessel had developed a 10 degree list.

The only damage, which was confirmed this morning, was an opening in the stern, through which the water had run to flood the No. 1 hold.

Certain elements of the crew, all members of the cooks and stewards section with a few engineers, panicked, took panic and started to give alarms on the ship's siren and over the wireless, and between 8 and 9 o'clock lowered one of the boats and pushed off. The Captain said he had to come back or they would be lost in the fog. They stayed around.

Later a second boat was lowered and filled with the same types of crew and a few of the ship's doctors, who were travelling with the refugees, and they too put off.

The deck department of the crew and the majority of the engine room staff stayed at their posts and behaved in a magnificently cool manner. The Captain spoke very highly of the bosun and the quartermaster who had tried to force the crew to give up the idea of taking to the boats.

Soon, the Taikoo Cheong and a police launch arrived, and were closely followed by a Norwegian ship, to which the lifeboats went.

The tug informed the Captain that it was able to tow him back to port, but Capt. Chunechen said that he was able to use his own engine. It was agreed in the safety of the vessel that the Captain should not use his engines.

### TO GO INTO DOCK

It was the same element of the crew who had panicked on the voyage to Samar, when they were not even in trouble, and the Captain disgustedly said "They call themselves seamen!" Lying now outside the dock, the ship, over at an angle of 20 degrees, was being pumped dry of water by salvage vessels lying alongside, and will be going into dock this afternoon for repairs.

### Most Photogenic Girl



Miss Peggy Kelly, 20, of Somerville, Mass., poses with a smile in a New York studio where she was chosen the "Most Photogenic Girl of 1949" by the Society of Photographic Illustrators.—AP Picture.

### Iceland May Join The Atlantic Alliance

New York, March 13.—Iceland has not decided whether to join the Atlantic alliance, her Foreign Minister said tonight.

He said Iceland would refuse to grant peace time military bases on her territory to any foreign power.

Mr Bjarni Benediktsson made this statement in response to newsmen's questions on his arrival in the U.S. He is enroute to Washington for Atlantic pact talks. Mr Benediktsson said: "We have not decided if we will take part in it. When we find out if there is a place for Iceland in the pact and if her special position is considered, we will report to Parliament, where the decision will be made."

He said he did not expect the U.S. to ask for bases in his country and added: "I think there can be no discussion of bases. The Icelandic government will not consent to any bases in peace time."

### REASON FOR VISIT

"I think we are interested in co-operating with the Democratic nations, and we want to find out what place we can have. We have come here to see if we can join it."

He said there is a division of opinion among the people of Iceland over the pact but added: "There is no doubt that the overwhelming majority of the people are for close co-operation with the Democratic nations if we can find a suitable place for Iceland for such co-operation."

He said Communists have 20 percent of the vote in Iceland. They are opposing the pact "in every way they can." Asked if his government had received any proposals from Moscow, he replied: "No, none whatever."—Associated Press.

## Streamlined Peace Cabinet For China

### New Premier's Quest

Shanghai, Mar. 14.—Nationalist China's new Premier, General Ho Ying-chin, who arrived here yesterday evening by train from Hangchow enroute to Nanking to assume his new post, was closeted until a late hour last night, conferring with local political and civic leaders, it was learned reliably.

He is said to have already seen Dr W.W. Yen, head of Shanghai's non-partisan peace delegation, Dr S. Y. Liu, Governor of the Central Bank, and Mayor K. C. Wu.

General Ho told reporters before plunging into a series of conferences that he would attempt to include all shades of political opinion in his "streamlined Peace Cabinet," which he asserted would aim at reforming the Administration and achieving peace.

He said he would invite members of the Democratic Socialist and Young China parties to join his Government and would "welcome Dr Yen and members of Dr Yen's non-partisan peace mission to participate."

Dressed in a dark blue suit, General Ho appeared in high spirits and perfect health as he alighted from the special train which brought him from Hangchow.

He shook hands with each of those awaiting his arrival in Hangchow.

### PRESS STATEMENT

In a brief offhand press statement, which he prepared on the train enroute to Shanghai, General Ho said he considered the present economic crisis, the peace negotiations with the Communists, and the people's unprecedented sufferings the most urgent problems he and his Cabinet will have to solve.

He attested that he would do his utmost to carry out Acting President Li Tsung-jen's programmes for unity in the Government, political reforms and the restoration of peace by enlisting the best brains to serve the Government.

He revealed that the Government had drafted a new peace programme to be presented to the Communists, but the draft was still under minute examination.

No Cabinet list has been made up yet, but he would try his best to persuade the members of political parties other than the Kuomintang to serve the country at the present critical juncture.

General Ho said he was not certain when he would leave Shanghai, "where I have to see some old friends and to see the Democratic Socialist Party and the Young China Party."

Earlier reports said the visiting Premier was expected to proceed to Nanking today by plane if the weather improves (it is still pouring with a low ceiling).

Observers thought it was probable that the Premier would remain here for another day to continue the exchange of views with local leaders.—Reuter.

### URGES NEUTRALITY

Shanghai, Mar. 14.—Dr Sun Fo, Nationalist China's outgoing Premier, urged China to take a neutral stand in the event of a third world war in a weekend statement quoted by Chinese newspapers this morning.

He was reported to have said that, from the standpoint of the Chinese people, China at present should not be anti-United States nor should she be anti-Soviet.

He attributed the lack of "satisfactory" results from China's past foreign policy to the deterioration of relations between that country and the United States which affected the China situation.

Dr Sun Fo added that China was not responsible for this state of world affairs.

Asked what would emerge of the Chinese Coalition Government, he said: "I am not a prophet."—Reuter.

### CHIANG AT CHIKOW

Chikow (By Phone To Shanghai), March 14.—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is still in Chikow and has no plans whatever to leave anytime soon.

A member of the Generalissimo's official family told the United Press that a report carried by another news agency that the Generalissimo has left here and gone to Kulungsu Island in Amoy Bay was entirely erroneous. He said the Generalissimo is "still right here in Chikow."

A report from Nanking said the information that the Generalissimo has left his birthplace, was "privately circulated among leading Nanking government officials."

Captain K. C. Shia, one of the Generalissimo's few remaining personal aides, said the Generalissimo two days ago paid a brief visit to Ningpo, a port town 35 miles from Chikow, but immediately returned to his residence on Wuling mountain near his mother's tomb. He said the Generalissimo was continuing daily hikes visiting countryside villages and had gained eight pounds weight since leaving Nanking. The Generalissimo now weighs 125 pounds, said Captain Shia.

He added that the Generalissimo "absolutely has no plans or intention of leaving Chikow now or anytime as far as we know."—United Press.

### EDITORIAL

## The Atomic Control Dispute

FAILURE to prohibit atomic weapons has been condemned by Russia as one of the worst misdeeds of the United Nations General Assembly. Disappointment at the modesty of the Assembly's achievements is, of course, shared by the Western Powers, yet it is well to remember that the Assembly was never meant to solve questions of security in which the co-operation of the Great Powers is vital. Therefore, to learn why the challenge of atomic energy remains so far unanswered it is necessary to look back on a three-year history of division between the Eastern and Western Powers. The first move to try and bring atomic developments under international control was made by Britain, the United States and Canada in November, 1945, and in the following June, Mr Bernard Baruch duly presented to the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission a plan sponsored by the United States Government. It envisaged the establishment of a world atomic energy authority with extensive powers of control and inspection everywhere. Such an agreement would obviously be ineffective, if any party to it continued to possess the power of veto. In consequence, it was provided that, on the establishment of effective control machinery, the veto right should be relinquished and that, at the same time, the United States should both destroy her existing supply of atomic bombs, and make available her knowledge on the subject. In other words, the United States was prepared to surrender her atomic advantages as soon as she had assurances that no other nation would be able to profit therefrom. It was at this stage of the proceedings that the Russians made it abundantly clear that they had no intention whatsoever, in any circumstances, of accepting an effective system of international control. Russia wanted America to destroy her bombs and let the whole world into the

secret of their manufacture, without disclosing the Soviet's own resources or agreeing to any subsequent control of atomic development in Russia. And the Russians also made it clear that they did not intend to surrender the right to veto. The Soviet counter-proposal to the Baruch plan amounted to an international convention outlawing atomic warfare, but it had no further substance apart from the provision that all existing stockpiles of atomic bombs should be destroyed. Months of discussion followed in which the Russian representative in the General Assembly never budged from his position, and because of his obstructive attitude, the Western Powers were inclined to recommend that the Atomic Energy Commission should be disbanded and no further efforts made to achieve agreement. Mr Vyshinsky then came forward with a proposal, which, on the face of it, represented a modification of Russia's previous attitude. He proposed that the institution of an atomic control system, and destruction of existing stockpiles, should take place simultaneously. On this basis, the Commission's life was extended. If the Russians are seriously prepared to accept a system of international control, which operates without the veto, and whose inspectors are given the widest powers of entry and investigation in all parts of the world, then it still might be possible to arrive at an atomic control convention. But present indications are that the Russians are as far as ever from accepting any such arrangement; that their purpose in keeping the Commission in existence is rather to gain time for their own atomic developments. However, the Anglo-American position is perfectly clear and logical. With an effective system of control of all atomic development everywhere they are prepared to agree to atomic disarmament. Without it, they cannot and should not.

### Ship Caught In Storm

Inhambane, Portuguese East Africa, Mar. 13.—The coastal liner, Inharrime, with eight European and several hundred coloured passengers aboard, is threatened with destruction today in the midst of a raging storm 1,000 feet from the beach bar of Inhambane port.

The Inharrime, 800 ton freight and passenger ship, is owned by the Companhia Nacional Navegacao. It runs a weekly service between Lourenco Marques and Inhambane and usually carries hundreds of coloured workers to and from the Witwatersrand goldmines in the Transvaal. It is not known how many passengers are on the ship during her present voyage.

The ship reported last Friday that she had run aground outside Inhambane harbour. Efforts were then to free her have failed.

During the last 24 hours, the vessel's engines stopped, lights went out and the radio ceased working.

All attempts to throw landing cables to the shore for landing purposes have failed due to the storm. The ship is being tossed about helplessly in huge waves, endangering the lives of the crew and passengers.—Associated Press.

## Coalmines Shutdown Brings Creeping Paralysis To America

Pittsburgh, March 13.—The creeping paralysis of a coal shutdown begins infiltrating the U.S. on Monday. It will idle at least 425,000 coal miners and 56,375 railroad workers for two weeks.

The shutdown is the result of an order by John L. Lewis for his United Mine Workers to stay away from eastern pits for two weeks. Technically the walkout is a memorial to 1,015 miners killed and more than 50,000 injured last year.

Primarily, it's a protest against the appointment of James Boyd as Director of the U.S. Bureau of Mines.

First, outside industry to be affected is the railroads. Ten rail lines ordered sweeping layoffs to coincide with the miners' "memorial." Coal is a vital freight to these lines.

The effect on steel mills was not immediately discernible. Steel's wholly owned "captive" mines have been working a six-day week to feed the greedy maw of steel furnaces.

The nation has 70,000,000 tons of coal—a 45-day supply—stocked above ground.

Cost of the shutdown in wages "lost by the miners was estimated at about \$560,000,000. But many miners have been working reduced weeks anyhow. There have been layoffs of the rich Pennsylvania mines because of the oversupply of coal.

Mr John Marchlanko, President of the Progressive Miners of America, said the 17,000 members of his Union would keep on working. They produce about 20 percent of the coal in Illinois, one of the important

coal states. Mr Marchlanko said: "The only thing that will be achieved by this suspension of work will be that the coal miners will go two weeks without pay. At the same time it will keep the retail price of coal high just at the time operators have been complaining they would have to cut coal prices to the consumer because of the 70,000,000 ton surplus above ground."

George H. Love, President of the Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co. one of the world's largest producers, said the shutdown was "just an ordinary strike with a little black ribbon tied on it."

Other producers said the shutdown would be welcome because of the surplus.—Associated Press.



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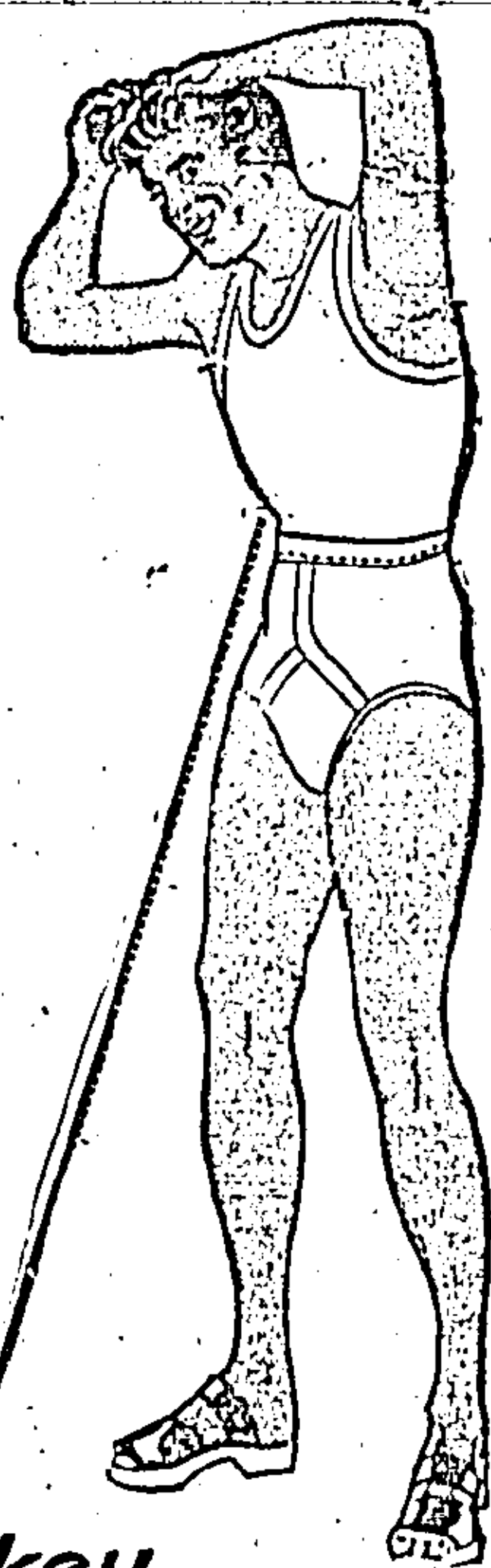
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# WOMANSENSE

FOR DIFFERENT OCCASIONS



From India comes the idea for the cocktail dress on the left. Reminiscent of a sari, the two-tone fallie outfit has a flattering head drape and wrap-around skirt. Paula Gaines models it at Miami Beach, while Joyce Russow wears a bathing suit with tri-colour panels down the back.

## Man Is Losing His Position In America

BY ARTHUR WEBB

WASHINGTON. **M**AN is losing his position as head and breadwinner of the American family.

Today women not only own more of the country's wealth than men, but in lower income groups wives are forced to work if their families are to be properly clothed, fed and educated.

Seven and a half million married women are now wage-earners. In 1940 the number was five million, but way back in 1900 it was only 700,000.

At the beginning of the century wives stayed at home—and only 15 out of 100 women workers were married. Today 46 percent are married; 16 percent are widowed or divorced.

It is one of the most amazing changes in the nation's life.

FROM two volumes of statistics just published by the Labour Department, one gets a strange picture of modern America.

Of every 100 married women 78 are on pay-rolls because husbands cannot earn enough to pay the bills. Only 22 say they like working or do so to be independent.

And every year more and more women remain at their jobs when they get married.

Of every 100 working wives only nine are mothers of children under six. A large proportion of mothers in this category apparently give up work because of the lack of day nurseries and clinics or baby-sitters.

When children reach school age the mothers again take jobs. Twenty-three of 100 women workers have children over six, while 24 have grown-up children. The others, apparently, are childless.

The full figures are interesting enough to tabulate: Single, 11,064,000; married women, 35,112,000; employed, 7,545,000.

Total widowed or divorced, 7,302,000; employed, 2,597,000.

Now what do American women do for a living, and what are they paid? Remember, these figures include Negroes, who are in the very low income groups.

Although wages for domestic service have never been so high—in New York the rate is 55c an hour—there are now only 1,600,000 servants, half a million fewer than seven years ago.

But 4,130,000 women work in offices, 1,600,000 more than in 1940, and 3,420,000 in factories (1,230,000 up). Most earn from £5 to £7 weekly if fully employed.

Married women workers outnumber the single in routine factory jobs, in laundries, hotels and restaurants, and as charwomen, caretakers and cooks.

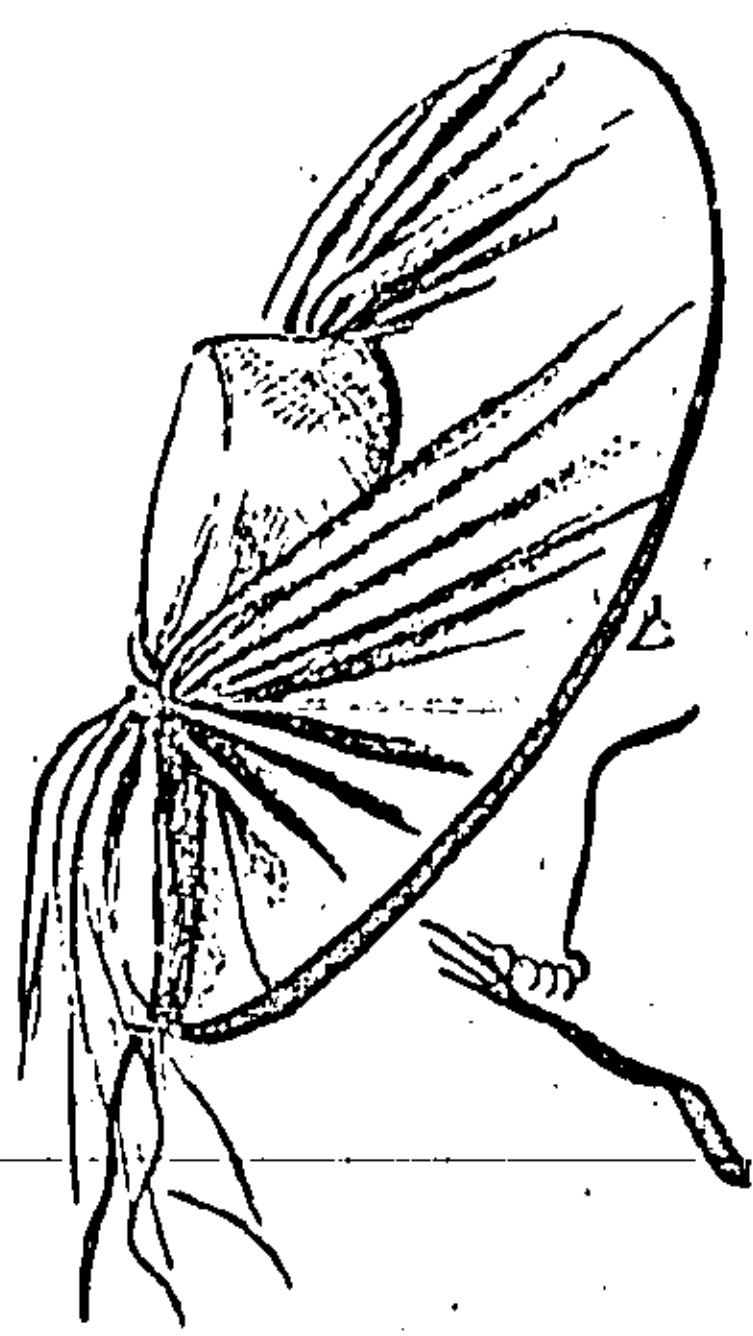
But only one in three in domestic service is married. They hold 325,000 jobs in shops, 700,000 in offices and 200,000 in schools.

In effect, one in every four American workers is a woman. And women have invaded every field where man was once "supreme" except three. There are still no women engine drivers, stokers or fire-fighters.

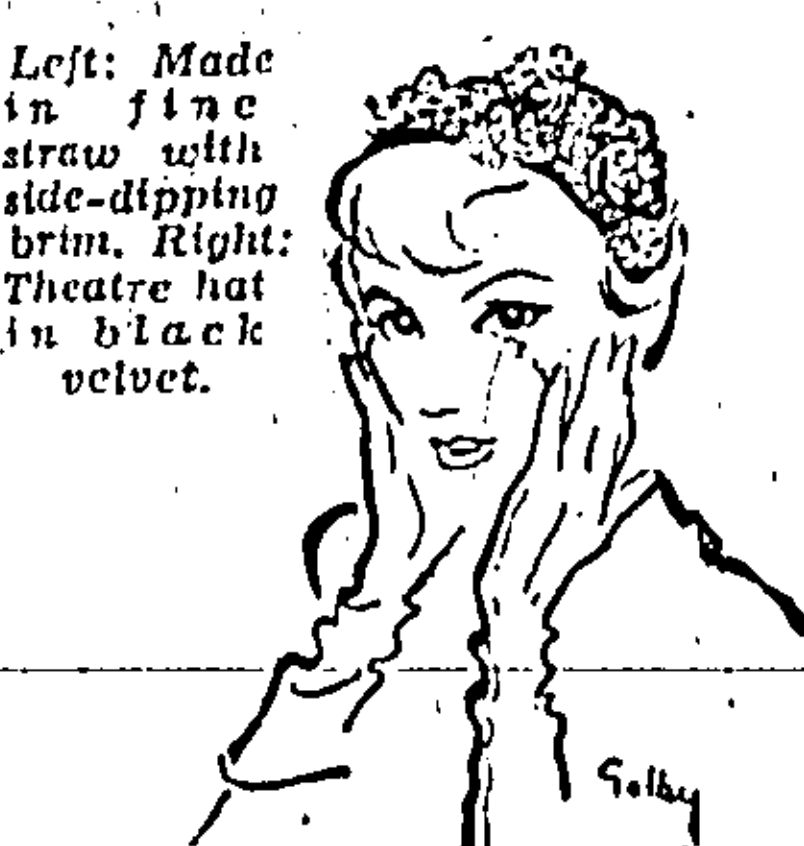
AMERICAN women at work include 8,000 actresses, 10,000 dancers and chorus girls, 500 architects (there was only one in 1876), 21,000 artists and art teachers, 4,000 authors, 50,000 librarians, 50 airwomen, 3,000 ministers of religion, 48,000 social workers, 1,000 funeral embalmers, 4,500 judges and lawyers, 8,000 doctors, 370 bootblacks, 1,000 policewomen and detectives, 60,000 musicians and music teachers, 19 mining engineers, 200 auctioneers, 600-000 saleswomen, 300 blacksmiths, 2,300 carpenters, 800 electricians, 100 glaziers, 200 plasterers, 700 plumbers, 400 fisherwomen, 100 stonecutters, 600 meat workers, 300 shipbuilders, 153,000 farmers, 400 bailiffs.

But millions of pounds earned by women workers go back into beauty parlours. These now employ 250,000 women—and more than 100,000 men—against 7,000 in 1900.

## Spring hats are bigger and all have brims



A straw picture hat swathed in chiffon



Left: Made in fine straw with side-dipping brim. Right: Theatre hat in black velvet.

By SUSAN DEACON

PARIS and London agree that, for day wear, spring hats are larger, and, for evening wear, the theatre hat, in velvet, satin, or made entirely of feathers, increases its popularity.

In Paris, the cloche as we originally knew it, deep-crowned and brimless, is finished. It has been given a brim which can be wide and ribboned or small and curling.

The curved brim will be the most popular basic hat line for the spring. It will still be worn on the back of the head, and will keep its neat head-fitting crown.

This side-dipping brim is often held with sprays of lilac or curling feathers—or fruit.

I welcome the return of the brim, hats which frame a woman's face are invariably attractive—brimless styles hard to wear and often unflattering.

In London, chiffon is used extensively for trimming. It is either gathered round the brim of a large straw hat, or draped loosely over a pastel felt, the long scarf ends swathing round the throat.

Eye veils, wispy and spotted, are back. Veiling is no longer worn massed over the crown.

Flowers are worn this year at the side of the hat. I saw no flower or feather trimming at the front in any collection.

White hats, in fine straw, are likely to be very popular.

The theatre hats are small, black, and glittering. Unlike the day hats, they are mostly brimless. Made in black velvet or black satin, and scattered with sparkling sequins, jet, or tiny coloured beads which look like hundreds and thousands.

They could be copied very successfully—and cheaply.

Tiny bunches of black beaded flowers were fastened at intervals over the crown of a white silk theatre hat.

A side spray of white osprey feathers decorated another hat. Any feather decoration on theatre hats must be small and unobtrusive.

Pearl jewellery remains fashionable—but it is different. The single stud ear-rings now have pear-shaped pearl drops. Twin pearls, a smaller one over a larger pearl, are also very smart.

Parisians no longer wear their pearl necklace wound tightly several times around their throats, but now twist it round once, and let it hang almost waistlength—either knotted or loose.

Grey, pink, and white pearls are used together in these necklaces. If one colour only is used, the pearls are usually separated by a diamante brilliant. Bracelets are made to match.

Scatterpins—tiny gilt flies with outspread wings—are seen everywhere. They are cheap and are worn in threes or fours on the lapel or shoulder of a suit.

Artificial seed pearls are used for the clasp of brocade evening bags, and pearl edged combs for evening wear are plentiful in the shops.

Belts, with gilt fastenings, are popular. I saw one made from black suede, tied in front with long, gilded tassels. Another had a buckle of imitation jade.

## MOTHER GETS A KISS



Mrs. Sylvio receives a kiss from her daughter, movie actress Margaret O'Brien (left), after her marriage to Don Sylvio (second from right), while Judge Richard P. Robbins, who performed the ceremony in Palm Beach, Florida, looks on. All during the ceremony Margaret cried, but she shut off the tears when the pictures were taken.

## Troubled With Falling Lashes?



A little eye shadow forms a pleasing background for long, silky lashes, says Hillary Brooke, of the movies.

By HELEN FOLLETT

MANY women and girls are troubled with falling eye-lashes. This is one good looks sorrow that cannot be endured with fortitude. It is not only disturbing but it is disfiguring. Almost invariably the cause will be found in some irritation or inflammation of the margins or lining of the eyelids; it can be entirely cured by suitable treatment. As the disturbance may become chronic, it is well worthwhile to seek the attentions of an eye specialist.

If the condition is not neglected too long, all the fallen lashes will be replaced in from six to twelve weeks, nature doing this kind of repair work in a hurry. But if the condition is not corrected, the follicles from which the little winkers emerge may be destroyed and a new growth will not appear.

To keep normal lashes in form it is a good plan to touch the edges of the lids with mineral oil after the nightly complexion creaming.

Eye shadows form a pleasing background for long, silky lashes. You will find these cosmetics in various colours and they're effective, especially if the big evening date is on.

For the brunette and the red-head a soft green can be used with good results. For girls with blue or blue grey eyes, there are various shades of blue; one must be careful to get the right one that will not detract from the colour of the soul orbs. Violet is nice for the true blonde with peaches-and-cream complexion and mauve makes distinctive the white haired lovely.



## Let's Eat BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

### Peanut Butter Loaf for Dinner

"MADAME, what do you suggest we do with this half jar peanut butter?" asked the Chef. "There is about one cupful. Shall I use it for luncheon? Perhaps toasted peanut butter whole wheat sandwiches with hot spiced tomato juice and a small salad?"

"That would be good, Chef. But there's enough to make a peanut butter loaf. Why don't we have it for dinner?"

"Do you think this would be satisfactory as a main dinner dish, Madame?"

"Oh, yes! From the nutritional standpoint, peanut butter is an excellent source of high quality protein, a natural source of the vitamin B complex, and contains good amounts of phosphorus, calcium and iron. In fact, peanut butter is richer in protein than many other accepted protein foods. It's easily digested, too, and satisfies the appetite."

"And peanut butter is inside the budget, isn't it?"

"Oh, oui! Besides, peanut butter is so concentrated, it must be combined with bulky foods to prevent over-eating. I think as a nice contrast to the smooth texture of the loaf, we could serve diced turnip and broccoli. And we can use the tough broccoli ends to make a cream of broccoli soup the next day."

"Madame, what shall I combine with the peanut butter in making this loaf? As a base, would you like me to use mashed potato, or cooked rice or bread crumbs?"

"Well, Chef, I notice we have some left-over brown rice in the refrigerator, and there are plenty of bread crumbs so let's use a combination of both. And as peanut butter is so bland in flavour, add some poultry seasoning and minced onion. I like a crusty loaf too. So please dust the oiled loaf pan with fine-chopped peanuts mixed with dry bread crumbs before you pack in the mixture."

"Very well, Madame. It will taste good and it will hold the peanut butter loaf together so it will unmould easily on the platter. For a nice garnish I can use crisp bacon or fried onion rings. And I have a little surprise to serve with it—the peanut gravy!"

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All Measurements Are Level Unless Otherwise Stated.  
**Red Bean Soup**  
Pick over 1 lb. dried red kidney beans. Place in a kettle; add 2 qts. boiling water, cover, and let stand 50 min. Then add 2 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. pepper, 1 tsp. sugar, 1/4 tsp. thyme and 1/4 tsp. sage. Simmer until soft, about 2 hrs. Remove 2 c. of the beans to use as garnish. Rub the remainder with liquid through a coarse sieve. Measure and add an equal amount of soup stock, or substitute the liquid remaining from boiled ham, tongue or corned beef. Simmer 20 min. Blend 1 tsp. butter or margarine with 1 tsp. flour and 1/4 c. of hot soup. When smooth, stir into the kettle of soup and simmer 2 min. Add the beans; bring to a boil, and serve with crisp crackers or toasted rolls.

**Peanut Butter Loaf**  
Into a bowl measure 1 c. peanut butter preferably containing bits of chopped peanuts. Add 2 c. chopped peanuts. Add 2 c. cooked, converted or brown rice, 2 1/2 c. fine soft bread crumbs, 1 1/4 c. milk, 2 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. pepper, 1 1/2 tsp. poultry seasoning, 1 peeled, medium-sized onion, minced fine, 1 beaten egg and 1 tsp. minced parsley. Mix well. Cover and let stand 1/2 hr. Thoroughly oil a (9"x5") bread or loaf cake pan with margarine or butter, dust with equal parts of fine dry bread crumbs and chopped roasted peanuts if convenient. Pack in the loaf mixture and bake 40 min. at 375 F. When done, cool 2 or 3 min., unmould on a decorative platter. Garnish with crisp bacon if desired, and serve with peanut tomato gravy.

**Peanut Tomato Gravy:** Melt 2 tbsps. margarine and add 2 tbsps. peanut butter. Remove from the heat and stir until smooth. Add 1/4 tsp. onion salt and 2 tbsps. flour. Return to the sauce pan and gradually stir in 1 1/4 c. tomato juice. Cook and stir until boiling rapidly. Stir in 1/4 tsp. sugar and season to taste with salt and pepper.

**Celery Salad**  
Stuff celery stalks with cottage or cream cheese mixed with devilled ham or minced anchovies. Chill and cut crosswise in 1/2" pieces. Serve in nests of lettuce with French dressing.

**Date Tapioca Cream**  
Make up 1 pkg. prepared quick tapioca according to directions. Then beat 1 egg white; fold in the tapioca mixture and add 1/2 c. quartered pitted dates. Cover and chill. Serve in sherbet glasses with a half date topping each serving.

**Trick Of The Chef**  
Always keep the jar of peanut butter upside down, and the oil will keep it from drying out.



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**MERCI**—Margie Keane inspects a miniature reproduction of a 16th century coach in New York City. It is one of the many items sent to America by the French on their Gratitude Train for public display.



**MUTUAL INSPECTION**—Ambassador Stanton Griffis, Director of UN Relief for Palestine refugees, inspects some children at a camp in Andjar, Lebanon. This camp is one of 11 centres in which the total number of refugees is 750,000, most of whom are women and children.



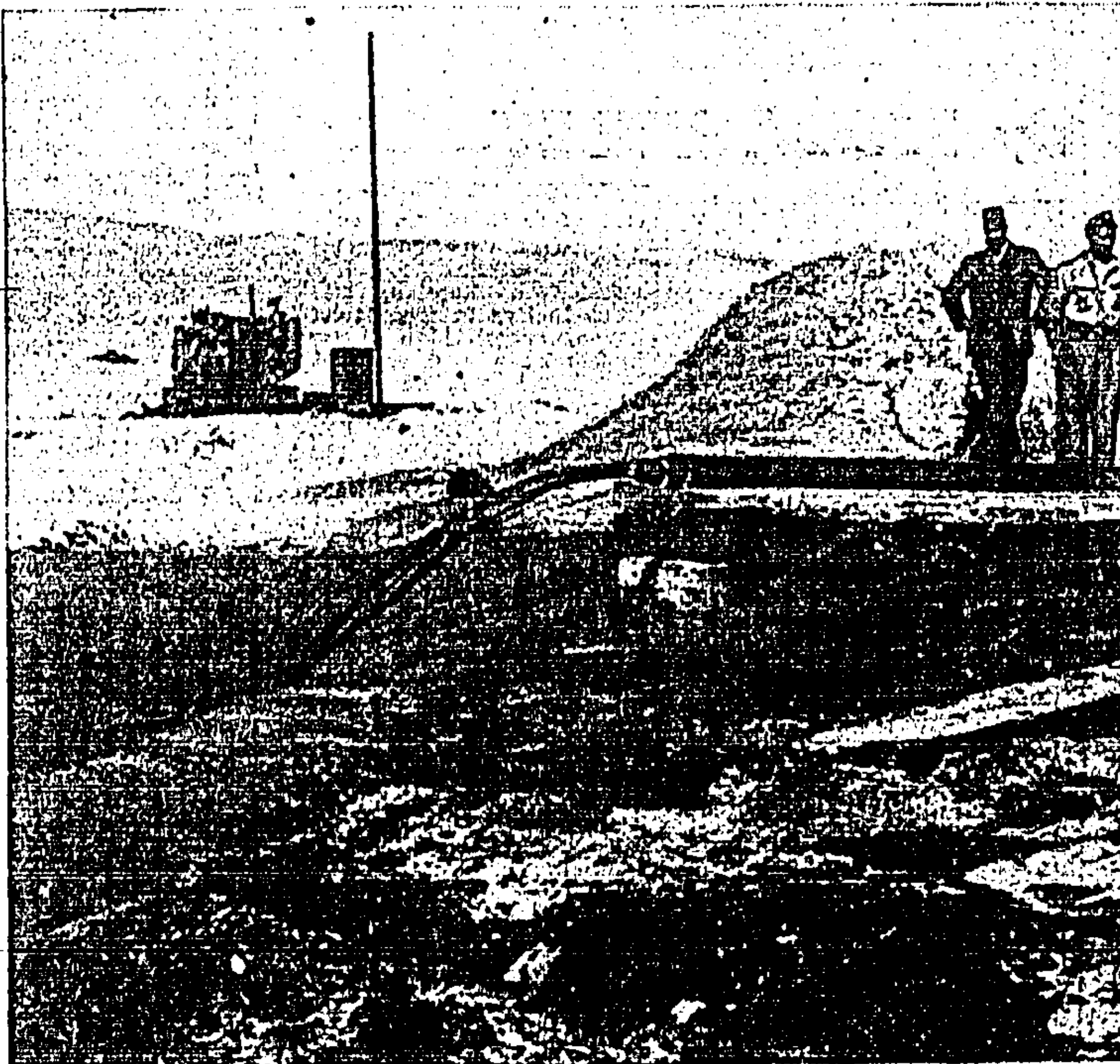
**WELL!**—Near Boulder City, Nevada, Art Klinger, a petrol station operator, started out to dig a well. He didn't find any water, but he did strike a 12-foot deposit of quartz which contained sufficient commercial grade gold ore to start a modest gold rush. Klinger is inspecting a pan of ore taken from this "well."



**BIRTHDAY PARTY**—When Frostie, a Labrador retriever and the world's only skiing dog, celebrated his first birthday at Sun Valley, Idaho, he did himself proud. The cake was a raw, juicy hamburger with one candle on it. Sauce and mustard made a tasty icing. Frostie doesn't drink coffee, but he enjoyed the cigar.



**FOR SPRING**—This print ensemble reminds us that spring is here. The West Indian motif of the two-piece dress is repeated in the lining and cuffs of the hip-length green coat.



**FLOWING GOLD**—Oil gushes from a new well discovered at Wadi El Firan, Egypt, near the Anglo-Egyptian oilfields. This one was accidentally found soon after the discovery of other wells farther to the north in an area badly in need of oil.



**YOUNG SCIENTIST**—In Philadelphia, Margaretta Harmon, 16, smiles over her electrostatic generator. She was chosen from among 49 high school seniors to represent her city in the annual Science Talent Search. Approximately 2,400 pupils throughout America competed in the contest.



**LUNCH TIME**—This young lady in Mesnil St. Denis, France, attempts to wear her five-week-old pet lamb during the lunch hour. Soon she must return to work in the old chateau behind her, converted by an American fountain pen manufacturer into a factory.

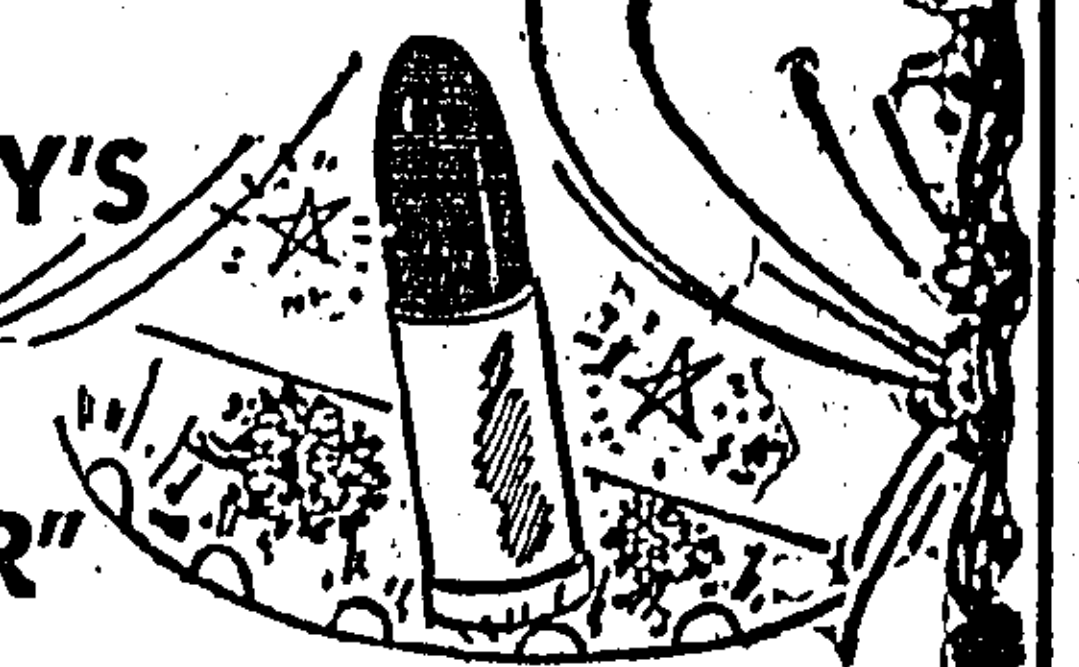


**EVICTED**—In St. Louis, Missouri, Roy Lisagor's trailer was parked in a residential neighbourhood. When nervous mothers summoned the police, they found these lions, a bear and some monkeys living in it. Ordered from the district, Lisagor, a travelling showman, was offered parking space in a lot owned by the Humane Society.



**ACCOMPLISHED PIANIST**—Byron Janis puts the finishing touches on an intricate design of an antique chair in New York. But this restoration work is only a hobby. The 20-year-old pianist is in his third United States season of concert tours.

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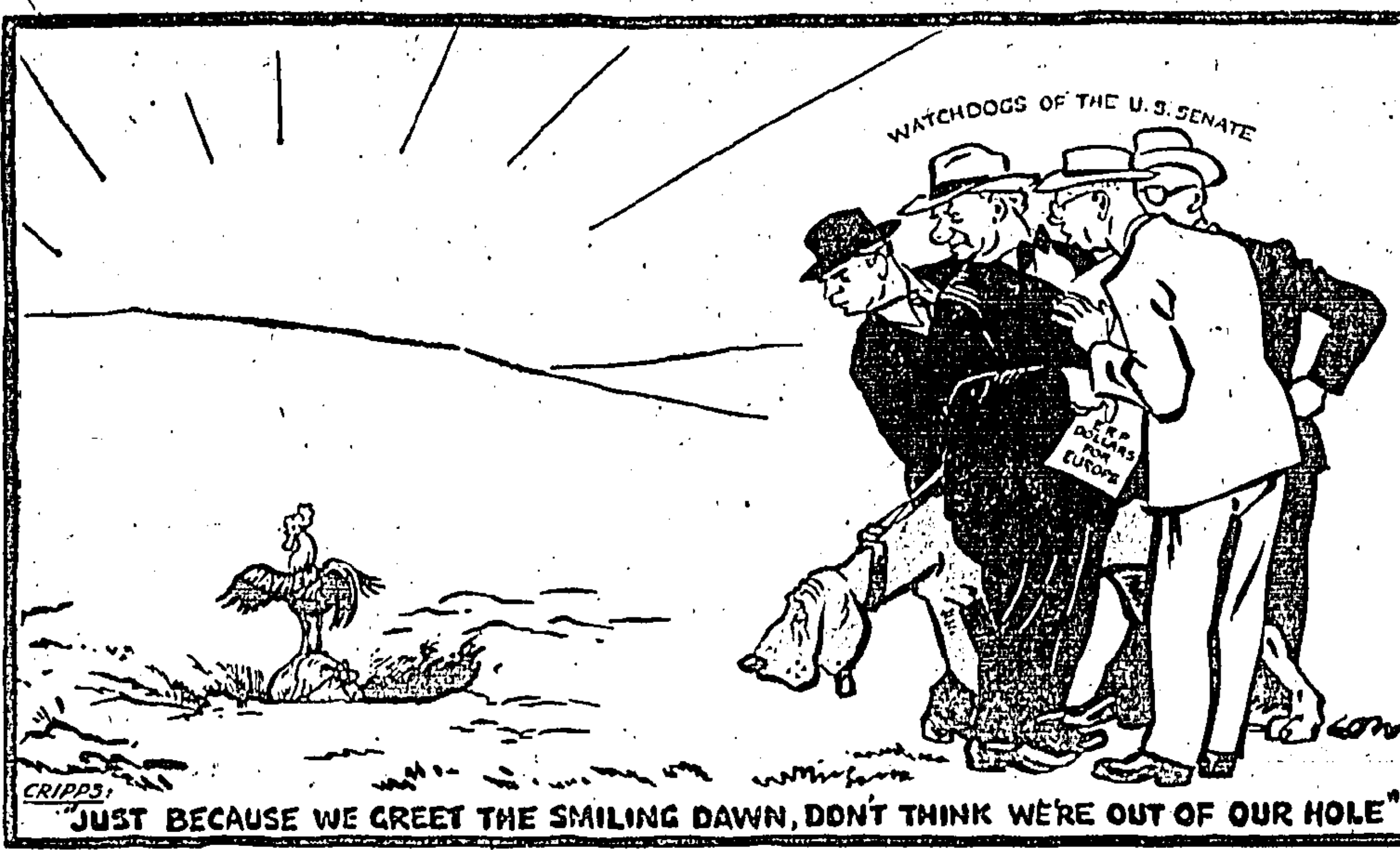
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The Hongkong Telegraph presents today the first instalment of a moving and tragic human document—the autobiography of a Communist whose dreams were shattered by the Kremlin's abuse of power



By FREDA UTLEY

I FIRST visited Soviet Russia in 1927, when Lenin's "New Economic Policy" was still in force and Trotsky not yet exiled, although he had been eliminated from the political scene. The people were enjoying a measure of prosperity and liberty unknown three years later. There was still a semi-socialist society, but signs of degeneration were perceptible.

But I did not see them. As a delegate, an enthusiastic and youthful Communist recently emerged from the chrysalis of the British Labour Party, I believed all I was told. I was without experience of a police state to teach me that no one in Russia would dare speak his mind to a foreigner.

It is in middle age that one sees how the influences of youth have determined the course of life. Those influences in my case were both socialist and liberal.

A passion for emancipation of mankind, rather than a planned society or mystical yearning to merge in a fellowship, led me to enter the Soviet Union and to leave it six years later with my political beliefs and my personal happiness shattered alike.

I came to Communism via Greek history. French revolutionary literature I read in childhood, and English nineteenth-century poets of freedom. I came, profoundly influenced by a happy childhood, a socialist father, and a Continental education. For me, then, the Communist ideal seemed the fulfilment of the age-long struggle of mankind for freedom and justice.

My studies of ancient history and modern economics made me abhor servitude in any form, and the Communists seemed to be the only socialists who really believed in world-wide equality and liberty.

Yet the same influences which turned my hopes towards Russia were to make it impossible

MANCHESTER - born Freda Utley was a college radical who became an ardent Communist. She married a Russian, and went to live in the Soviet Union, prepared to throw in her lot with the people. But six years of life under Stalin's totalitarian regime completely disillusioned her. In this, her life story, she tells why.

Educated at King's College and the London School of Economics, London University, Fred Utley was at one time correspondent in Japan for the Manchester Guardian, and later correspondent in China for the News-Chronicle. She has written a number of books, the best known being "Japan's Feet Of Clay."

for me to accept the Soviet regime once I came to know it intimately.

I was, in Stalinist phraseology, a "rotten liberal," a "petty bourgeois intellectual" — one who foolishly desired social justice, freedom and equality, and imagine socialism meant an end to oppression and injustice.

My mother, daughter of a radical Manchester family, met my father, William Herbert Utley, at 10.

Edward Averling, son-in-law of Karl Marx and translator of "Das Kapital," brought him to my grandfather's house. My grandfather, though a "bourgeois," a manufacturer, was a free-thinker and republican, and boasted how his wife's mother, old and very ill, hid the great Chartist leader, Feargus O'Connor, in her bed when the police searched the house for him.

My mother secretly married my father in London against the wishes of my grandfather. My father was then editorial writer and music critic on the London Star, the most famous liberal newspaper of the time.

My father had taken part in the great labour struggles of the late eighties and early nineties. He had spoken from the same platform as Friedrich Engels in Manchester. Half a century later I was to find my father's name on documents in the library of the Marx Engels Institute in Moscow.

His influence over me was profound, and he early implanted in my mind those libertarian values which have consciously or unconsciously motivated my life. His socialism was coloured and humanised by the nineteenth century liberal atmosphere.

The early influences which shaped my thoughts and feelings thus were essentially liberal, based on belief in reason and logic and desire for the emancipation of mankind in body and spirit.

I failed in my youth to perceive that Communism is a substitute for religion, and is essentially irrational in its mystical belief in inevitable progress through revolution. Perhaps, in my case the instinctive desire for a religion was the compelling force leading me, step by step, into the Communist trap.

When I was 11, I went to boarding school on Lake Geneva. These two years in French Switzerland among German girls, were the happiest of my life; the four succeeding years at a boarding school in England the most unhappy.

### Against The Code

At the Swiss school, the atmosphere was studious, tolerant, kindly and healthy. We skated, skied, and tobogganed in winter; bathed in Lake Geneva, and rowed and walked in the summer. Sport was regarded as pleasure, not a duty, and study—read hard study—was demanded of us all.

In that period of my life, mixing with English, Germans, French, Swiss, Italians and other nationalities, speaking fluent French and German, I was little aware of national barriers. I naturally developed an international outlook.

From Switzerland, I was plunged into the rigid, mentality-destroying atmosphere of an English boarding school for girls. There was no hazing or physical brutality, but there was mental, or social, bullying of the worst kind.

The greatest offences against the social code were to study hard or to show any originality in dress or behaviour.

My sins against the code were at first unconscious, then deliberate. The spirit of rebellion now, for the first time, had been awakened. Dimly I began to feel that the social hierarchy and code which governed our school were precisely that "capitalist system" which I had learned to think, was the cause of all social injustice.

## AMERICANS CAN'T AFFORD TO BE ILL

By PEGGY MANN  
21-year-old American writer

AN American business man, returning from a quick trip to Britain, was asked what he thought of the country. "All weeping and wailing and nationalisation of teeth," he replied.

If he had spent a fortnight in London's St Mary's Hospital, as I have, he would hold different views.

In the United States adequate medical attention is given to those who can afford it, but a serious illness spells disaster unless there is sufficient money in the bank.

Young people contemplating marriage are cautioned to wait a year or two until

After my mother had been in hospital for two months the family was forced to move to a smaller flat.

My great aunt, who lives on meagre savings, spent fourteen months in a "free" public ward. She will be meeting her hospital debt for the next ten years. Two weeks in an American hospital wiped out my savings of a year.

Thus conditioned to paying for medical services, I asked, on my discharge from St. Mary's Hospital, how much I owed. The Sister seemed surprised. "Why, nothing at all!" she said.

Doctors, medicine, nursing care, excellent food for a fortnight, a hospital bed, continued treatment as an out-patient, were all, incredibly, free.

There are free wards in America, too, but they are generally regarded as "ill men or cure 'em, clinics." So most Americans make great financial sacrifice to have private or semi-private hospital rooms. Yet the nursing care I received in London far surpassed any I have known in an American private room, with hospital expenses averaging £2 a day.

American nurses I have met have been the "Miss Japan" variety—pink, busy and brittle. One greeted me every morning with: "Well, not dead yet?" Another, more cheerful, paid far more attention to my male visitors than she did to me.

Still another belonged to some religious sect. I awoke the morning after my operation to find a tract on my bed-table, with the title in large black letters: "What If You Had Died in the Night?"

American nurses are best appreciated after an illness. British nurses impressed me as being young and attractive, efficient, cheerful, human.

And if it's home nursing that is wanted, the daily cost in America is around £3.

Their medicines. They are not free, as in Britain now. So often the prescription stays in the bureau drawer.

Britain's idea of free convalescent homes, spanning the period between hospital and health, is entirely unknown in America. Only the rich can afford the time and expense of adequate convalescent care.

Another impressive factor of the British medical system is that it covers everything. "Nationalisation of teeth," for instance, would be welcomed by Americans, who often pay through the nose as well as through the mouth.

Ride in an American subway; sit in an American library. You will certainly see someone holding a newspaper close to his nose—someone who needs spectacles but who cannot afford them. Under the British Health Plan opticians can concern themselves solely with a patient's ability to see rather than ability to pay.

The British Health Service does away with many of the ills of America may be envied in Britain as the land of the full and the free. But you may be sure that Americans, in turn, envy the British freedom from financial fear.

And if Britons should feel some resentment at the hospital hospitality extended to foreign non-contributors, they may be assured that for the relatively low expenditure involved, the country is gaining a valuable invisible export.

Britain is showing, without fuss or fanfare, a great example to other countries in her social achievement.

### Turning Point

AS a passionate defender of the Soviet Union, I was the speaker, in a college debate on Russia, with H. N. Brailsford. Our opponents were C. H. Delver, a fellow history student, later a Professor at Yale, and Sir Bernard Pares. When next I met Pares 12 years later, he had become the defender of the USSR and I was back in England, hating Stalin's Russia, but holding my tongue for my husband's sake.

The General Strike of 1926 was the turning point of my political development. The betrayal of high hopes by the Trade Union Congress and the Labour Party led me into the Communist fold. It seemed there was no solution for under employment and low wages under capitalism, and only the overthrow of the capitalist system and the "unity of the workers of the world" could save humanity.

I was invested with my MA degree the day the General Strike was called off.

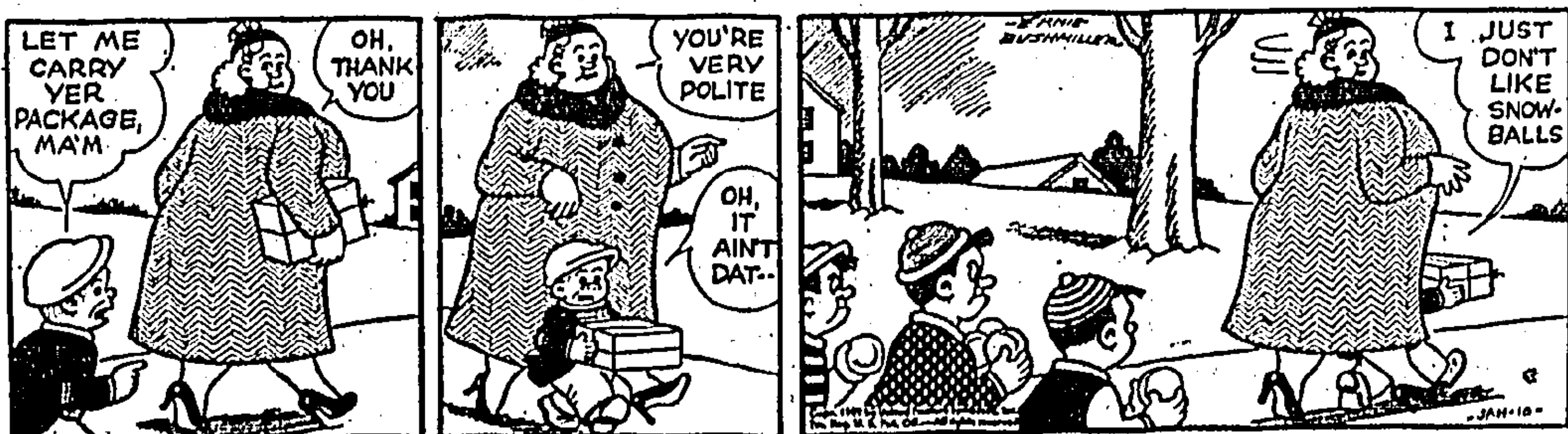
A year later I was invited to visit the Soviet Union as representative of the Labour and Socialist clubs in British universities.

I was regarded a promising young "radical intellectual," with some understanding of Bolshevik theory in the articles I had written. I intended to join the Party when I returned, for the propaganda effect would be greater if I became a member after I visited Russia.

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Skirting Danger



By Ernie Bushmiller

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# PWD LARCENY TRIAL RESUMES

## Cross-Examination Of May Continues

Cross-examination of Arthur Frederick May was continued by Crown Counsel before Mr Justice Williams and a jury at the Criminal Sessions this morning on resumption of the PWD larceny trial in which May and Kwok Kwong, 57, foreman, are accused on three counts of larceny by public servant and three of falsification of documents with intent to defraud the Government of money.

May is defended by Mr A.J. Clifford, instructed by Mr J.C. Stewart, while Kwok is not legally represented. Prosecuting for the Crown is Mr A. Hooton, assisted by Mr J. Johnston, ASP and Mr D.G. MacPherson, ASP.

Referring to his statement made to the Police, May claimed that he did not say to Mr MacPherson, "I did see men working at Tokwanan Market."

As far as he could recollect, he said, "I may have seen the men." May further alleged that Mr MacPherson was writing down answers before he had made them. "I had told him previously more or less what the position was," said May, "and Mr MacPherson knew what he was going to ask and what he was going to put down."

Replying to Mr Hooton, May said he agreed that he had replied on Friday that his visits to various jobs were purely in a technical capacity.

Mr Hooton: Though you were extremely keen on proper accounting and proper use of labour, you did not think it necessary to check up on labour on the sites.

May: I would not possibly have had time on the job for checking on labour and technical inspection. It would be more or less a rough guess from what I had seen on the labour distribution board before I left the office as to how many men were on each job. Apart from that I would visit jobs between 12 and 1 p.m. when the men were at lunch and the same would apply after they had left in the evening.

Mr Hooton: You have never for instance said to yourself, my board shows four men on "X" site. I think I will see if those men are there—I really had no chance to do that.

Speaking of the daily distribution and labour report, May said that it was made up the previous day for signature in the morning when he arrived in the office. This he said, had been substantiated by documents and had been proved in Court.

His Lordship reminded May that that was only his opinion and it was a matter for the jury. "I don't want your opinions, Mr May. I want you to state the facts," said His Lordship.

May, replying further, said that the progress chart sheet was also made up the day before.

Mr Hooton: When you went along to a job did you never say to yourself I have seen six men working on this site today and I will check up with my records to see how many men should be there?

May: No. I did not do that as I had no time.

### ROUTINE SIGNING

May agreed with Crown Counsel that 93 men were shown as working at the Tokwanan Market up to August 11, last year. He had put his signature to documents showing this. He signed them in a matter of routine. He agreed that he had visited the site twice. On the second occasion the wiring was completed but the fittings were not up.

Mr Hooton: Did you make a mental note of what progress there was on the job since the last visit?

May: No. I don't suppose I did. It is very difficult to recall on such a small job what was the actual position.

May agreed that it was true to say that 23 electricians were shown as working at the market according to the daily distribution job report. He did not see anyone working there on the second occasion.

Mr Hooton: Did you tell Mr MacPherson that you had seen men working at Tokwanan market in your statement?

May: I have qualified that statement by saying that I might have visited the place between 12 and 1 p.m. I would not use the wording, "I did see."

Mr Hooton: In your statement you say "I did see men working there" and now in the witness-box you say something quite different?

May agreed that his written statement was more or less correct. He did not say to Mr MacPherson that he did see men working there but as far as he could recollect he said that he might have seen men there.

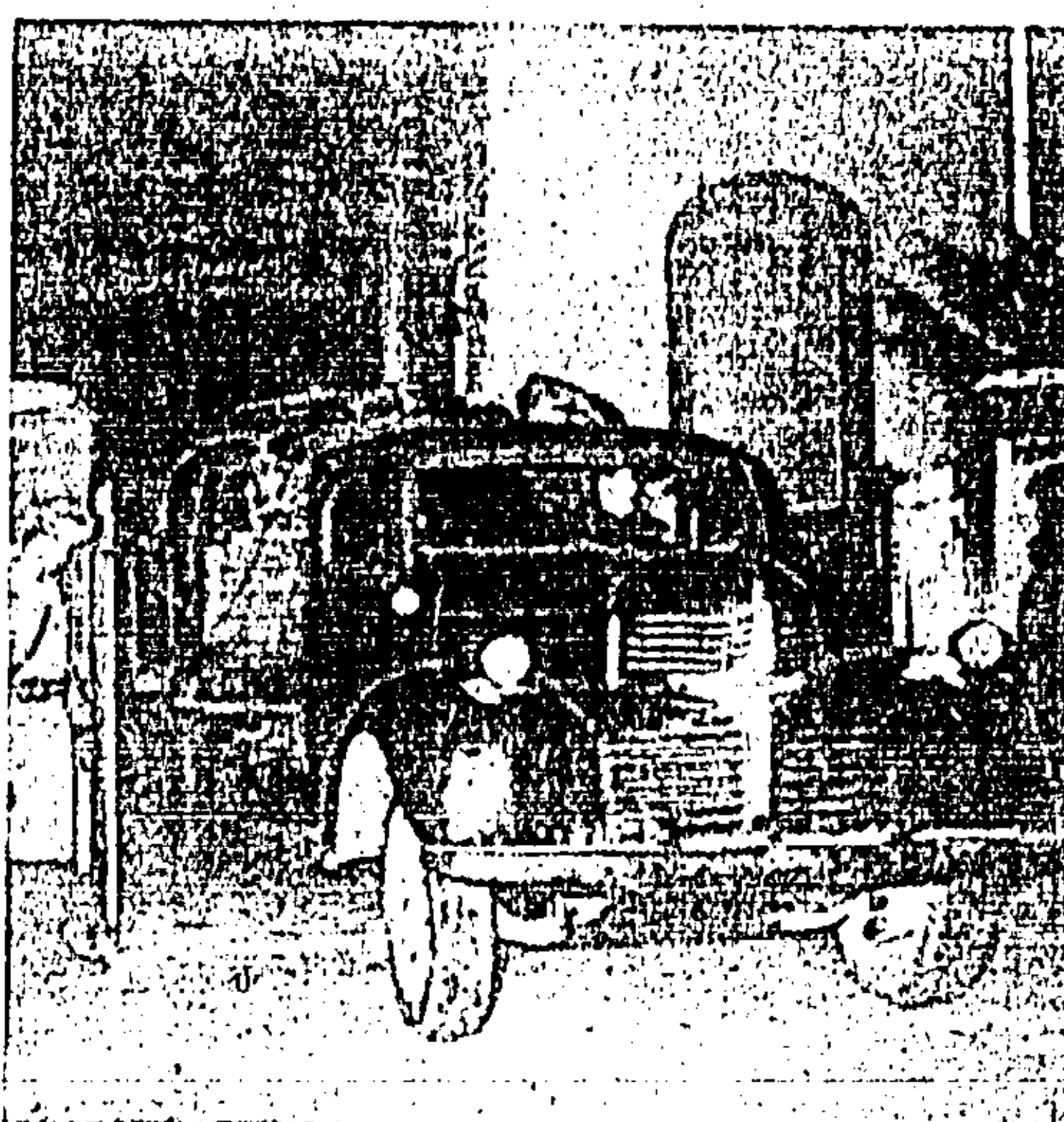
Mr Hooton: Is Mr MacPherson making a mistake?

May: Mr MacPherson was writing down ahead of me.

Mr Hooton: How do you mean, writing ahead of you?

Was he writing the answers before he got them?

## Russians Leave Mission



U.S. military policemen stand aside as a truck, heavily loaded with the belongings of the eight-man Russian repatriation mission, passes through the gate of the mission headquarters in Frankfurt, Germany. The departure of the Russians in tardy compliance with American orders to leave the U.S. occupation zone in Germany followed a two-day blockade of the house by American MPs. The convey of three cars and two trucks was escorted to the Soviet zone by members of the Russian military mission in Frankfurt.—AP Picture.

## BRITAIN SENDS MORE TROOPS TO AKABA

### Soviet Deputies Call For Economy

Moscow, Mar. 13.—The fifth session of the Supreme Soviet, convened on March 10 and expected to continue for another two or three days, has followed the historic pattern in appeals for internal economic development, and has so far shown no signs of any change in Russia's foreign policy.

Budgetary matters will again head the agenda for both Chambers of the Supreme Soviet (the Soviet of the Union and the Soviet of Nationalities) when they resume their meetings tomorrow.

The deputies, of whom there are more than 1,000 from all over the Union, omitted many minor amendments on Friday and Saturday.

Throughout their speeches, the deputies called for economy in all spheres of national life and appeals for better quality goods and a speeding up of production to fulfil the current five-year plan ahead of time.

The speeches of the deputies have contained a strong warning against "warmongers" in the imperialist camp, urging that the Soviet people be strong and united under the leadership of the Premier, Generalissimo Stalin, and prepared to take the leading role in the defence of world peace.

They said the Soviet Union "is building peacefully while the warmongers rattle their sabres and prepare military aggressive blocs."

Further, they claimed that while "Marshallised" countries face increasing economic difficulties, unemployment and enslavement by the United States, the people of the Soviet Union are getting more goods at lower prices, and full employment.—Reuter.

### Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, "It's Swing Time"; 6.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7. 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## WEEK-END CRICKET

Odd Things Happen To  
The Champions

## OCCASIONALS HAVE

## A BIG DAY

By "RECORDER"

However hard the Occasionals tried to be sporting at King's Park yesterday in their match against the First Division Cricket League Champions, Club de Recreio, they couldn't quite humour the Champions into victory.

It was quite a gala occasion as scores of Recreio supporters turned up to watch the Champions skittled out for 64 after six of their classiest wickets had collapsed for 18 runs on the board.

By the time that Stepto and Howarth had run through the Recreio XI, nine wickets had been clean bowled, two of them on full tosses and two on yorkers. No wicket the Colony ever had looked more a batsman's one in an age of Sundays.

As odd things happen in cricket, it was Alan Stepto, quite playfully, bowling that did more damage than Frank Howarth's best and trickiest in a long time.

When Albert Prata won the toss and sent Recreio in, few would have questioned his judgment. On the wicket, Recreio was worth 160 runs against Howarth and Stepto any day.

When Eddie Soares was clean bowled off Stepto's fifth ball of his first over, Recreio supporters were not downhearted. Such odd accidents had happened even with Recreio.

As Gerry Gosano went off Howarth's first ball, also clean bowled, there was a long sigh heard all over the ground.

As George Souza was yanked on Stepto's second ball of his second over, the situation became tense indeed. Next ball, Luigi Gosano had played on to his wicket.

By the time Howarth had completed his second over, the fifth Recreio wicket was down for 11 runs on the board, Eddie Gosano being out to a full toss.

All that time, Dr. Rodrigues, who had opened the innings with Soares, had managed to keep up his end of the wicket. As P.M.N. da Silva came in, they settled down. The partnership put on seven runs and was broken when Rodrigues was caught by Oliver playing as Howarth's only slip.

Then came in Albert Prata, Recreio's last hope. There was an excellent partnership between Prata, Silva and Mr. Ex. Prata that saw another 20 runs go up on the board.

Then Prata was caught by a slow ball from Howarth. With-out any additional score, P.M.N. da Silva was clean bowled by Stepto and the score stood at 38 for eight wickets.

"BINGLE" OFF STEPTO  
It was left to Nick Beltrao, with some pretty square-cutting, and B. T. Gosano, with his soft-ball approach to cricket, to bring the score up to a more respectable 64.

Despite the rate at which the wickets went, the 50 went in 55 minutes (18 of them taken in the parade between pavilion and wicket) and B. T. Gosano

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Cpl. A. Hodgson (RAF v. IRC) ....	7-30
P. Billimoria (CCC v. IRC) ....	6-20
Lt. A. Stepto (Occasionals v. Recreio) 6-34	
A. el Arcuili, Jr. (IRC v. RAF) ....	5-20
Dr. E. L. Gosano (Recreio v. Occasionals) 4-19	
F. Howarth (Occasionals v. Recreio) 4-25	
F. Howarth (Scorpions v. Navy) ....	4-32
A. R. Minu (IRC v. RAF) 4-32	

Mitri Beats  
Dick Turpin

Trieste, Mar. 13.—Tiberio Mitri of Italy defeated Dick Turpin, the British and Empire middleweight champion, here last night on points in a 12-round final eliminating contest for the European middleweight title.

Mitri thus earned the right to challenge Cyrille Delannoit, the Belgian holder, for the European title. Turpin and Mitri fought a draw in London last November when they first met in the eliminating series.—Reuter.



Dr. Cary Middlecoff (above), youthful Memphis dentist, and Jim Ferrier of San Francisco blazed a new course record of 11 under par for a successful defence of their title in the Miami (Florida) International four-ball golf tournament on Saturday, says a United Press dispatch.

Middlecoff and Ferrier defeated Skip Alexander of Southern Pines, North Carolina, and Pete Cooper of Ponte Verde, Florida, nine and eight for another record for one-sidedness in the finish in the 24-year history of the four-ball tournament.

The champions toured Miami Springs' 18 in the morning with 29 and 30 (59), 11 under par, breaking the four-ball record of 61 strokes for 18 holes set in 1937 by Henry Picard and Johnny Revolta.

Middlecoff and Ferrier teamed for nine birdies and eagle on the morning round and added another five birdies on the ten holes played in the afternoon.

English Soccer Teams  
Will Invade Continent

London, Mar. 13.—The biggest exodus of British soccer teams to all parts of the world will be witnessed at the end of the present season.

Almost daily, the English Football Association receives requests from League clubs for permission to make close season tours. Several Scottish and Irish clubs have also got the wanderlust.

Scandinavia appears a popular choice. Portsmouth, the team of the English season, are to tour Denmark and Sweden.

Huddersfield, now making a gallant effort to extricate themselves from First Division relegation zone, are also going to these two countries and Holland as well.

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## VERNON MORGAN ON

BADMINTON'S MOST  
BRILLIANT YEAR

London, Mar. 12.—The Thomas Cup Competition and the All-England Badminton Championships have taught all lovers of the game some valuable lessons, the chief among them being that the game, as it is played by the experts today, is far in advance of what it was before the war.

The average club player in Britain was flabbergasted by the brilliant play of the "masters" of today.

The following facts emerged from these events: First, that today as a nation, Malaya is number one, second, that the greatest player of today and of all time, is Dave Freeman of the United States, third, that the Americans are going to be a threat to the world in this game as in any other game they take up seriously, fourth, that the Danish women players are in a class by themselves, fifth, that the Indians are only a shade behind their Malayan rivals and lastly, that England, for decades the number one nation at this sport, has slipped.

Malaya had a close call against the United States at Glasgow and it was touch and go whether they won the inter-zone final. It has, however, to be taken into account that Wong was injured and below his best form and that Law struck an off day.

Furthermore, the Malaysians must have been more affected by the change of climate than the Americans and doubtless their own country the men from Malaya would have been even harder to beat.

There is the belief now in this country that the Thomas Cup has left the West for a very, very long time, the view being taken that the Malaysians will be unbeatable in their own country.

Of the spare, little Californian doctor, Dave Freeman, it can be said and the Malaysians will readily agree, that he has no peer. He is not a man but a machine. He has every stroke to perfection and his footwork and stamina is such that "what goes round comes back."

This lean player, a shade under six foot, is a natural player, whose skill has been increased by proper tuition and persistent training. He neither smokes nor drinks.

Dr. Freeman is an extremely likeable man, modest and charming and while he has his little court peculiarities, like shouting "stupid" to himself when he becomes human and ears these are extremely good humoured and cause no offence. He is a great sportsman as well as a great player.

## GOOD IN PARTS

Both Marlen, Mendez and Carl Loveland in the singles, and Wynn Rogers in the doubles, were at times brilliant but they were like the proverbial

curate's egg, "good in parts."

They had nothing like the consistency of their champion, nor the concentration, nor the fitness (not that they were untrained). Rogers was a very fine doubles player at his best, but he was erratic.

Obviously, a country which employs proper coaches, like America and makes a real effort to take the sport seriously, is going to be a real threat to any nation, no matter what the sport is.

Badminton has not many adherents in the United States at present, but it is safe to say that Dave Freeman's wizardry will act as a great fillip to this sport in the land of Uncle Sam.

With Clinton Stephens and his wife, Patsy, taking the mixed doubles in the English championships at Harringay, the United States had the distinction of winning two titles which was one more than Malaya, Denmark and England.

The Danish girls were in splendid form in the singles events as is shown from the fact that they held all four places in the semi-finals, and it says much for the standard of play among women in that country that both the number three and number four proved capable of beating their number one and two in needle matches.

## SPIRIT

One felt very sorry for the Indian players who went to both Glasgow and Preston to watch the last two Thomas Cup games. They had been the "fallures" of the competition, with their first match defeat by Canada, yet it says a great deal for their spirit and enthusiasm that they did not let this depress them.

They took the opportunity to watch their former rivals in action, trained hard and their two best players, Davinder Mohan, and George Lewis, were "glorious" losers in the championships at Harringay.

Mohan only went down fighting to the Singapore champion, Wong, taking the second game from him after beating the American Thomas Cup player Bobby Williams.

If ever a man had his chance, it was Lewis in his quarter-final match with Ooi, the Malayan champion. Fancy, leading 14-5 in the final game and having five match points and then being beaten. True, many of Lewis' "winners" were only inches out, but no man should lose after being in such a commanding position.

Still, the fact that he was able to be in this position against a man of the calibre of Ooi showed the proficiency of the man.

If India can find some other players like Davinder Mohan, then she must have a sound chance of wrestling the coveted Thomas Cup from the Malaysians when it is next contested in 1952.

## A JOB WELL DONE

England had the honour of staging the finals of the first competition for the fine cup presented by a former British

Dean is now impressing on his son the necessity of becoming expert in kicking with either foot, and not relying too much on his left leg.

Dixie Dean, an adept at scoring goals with his head, still holds the English League record in dividing scoring record with 379 goals, scored from the seasons 1923-24 to 1938-39.

This 60 goals in 39 League games in the 1927-28 season is a Division I record. In that season, Dean scored a total of 82 goals, including goals in International, Cup and representative games.

James McGregory, of Glasgow Celtic, scored 410 goals in Scottish League football, and his total in all first-class matches was 550.—Reuter.

BELGIUM & HOLLAND  
DRAW IN SOCCER

Amsterdam, Mar. 13.—Holland and Belgium drew their football international match here this afternoon, each side scoring three times, although Belgium had led by two goals to nil at half-time.—Reuter.

The Week-End  
ScoreboardFOOTBALL  
FIRST DIVISION

St. Joseph's	5	Folke	2
KMIB	3	Club	3
Kitcher	0	CAA	4
Navy	0	8. China	3
RAF	0	Army	1
Eastern	5	8. China	2
		"B"	

## SECOND DIVISION

PCA	8	Talkoo	1
Folke	1	KMIB	4
St. Joseph's	2	Club	2
Army (HK)	4	Navy	0
Solidiers	0	Kitcher	3
Tramways	2	8. China	5
Army (K)	1	CAA	3

## HOCKEY

Recreio	5	Army	1
RAF	1	8. W	1
Folke	0	KMIB	0
Navy	0	Civil Service	1
Dutch HC	6	University	0

## HOW THEY STAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Recreio	17	14	2	1	1	30	30
Army	16	12	2	1	1	23	23
KMIB	16	11	3	2	1	23	23
Kitcher	17	9	4	4	3	22	22
Police	16	9	3	3	2	21	21
RAF	16	9	2	3	3	21	21
Civil Service	17	8	1	4	4	17	17
Dutch HC	17	0	1	16	4	10	10
University	16	1	1	14	4	10	10
C & W	17	1	1	15	4	10	10
Dockyard RC	16	1	1	14	4	10	10
YMCA	13	1	0	12	2	2	2

## RUGGER

SEVEN-A-SIDE  
TOURNAMENT

First Round	
Buffs "A"	6 HIMS Belfast 5
Scorpions "A"	0 HIMS Belfast 3
Second Round	
Tonbridge	5 HIMS Black 3
Civil Service	3 Gunners "B" 0
Minor	14 Club "C" 3
Club "A"	23 HIMS Hart 0
Club "B"	16 RAF 0

SOFTBALL  
JUNIOR LEAGUE

## PLAY-OFF

Jaguars	3	Braves	4
Wahoos	6	Wildcats	1

## SENIOR LEAGUE

HKBC	7	Saints	0
(Saints forfeited to HKBC)			

## FRIENDLY GAMES

White Fangs	8	Pirates	9
Squaws	10	Jaguars	6

TONIGHT'S  
BADMINTON

Tonight's matches at the Victoria Recreation Club in the Colony Badminton Championships are:

7.00 p.m. (Junior - Men's Doubles): F. Wong and S. C. Chuan v. H. F. Tai and W. N. Chung.  
7.30 p.m. (Junior - Men's Singles): D. C. Lau v. W. C. Chung.

8.00 p.m. (Ladies' Doubles): Miss B. Remedios and Miss T. Remedios v. Mrs. L. F. Stokes and Mrs. A. Tamworth.

8.30 p.m. (Ladies' Singles): Miss H. Kwong v. Miss Margaret Xavier.

9.00 p.m. (Junior Mixed Doubles): F. Wong and S. C. Chuan v. H. F. Tai and W. N. Chung.  
9.30 p.m. (Junior Men's Singles): J. A. Soares v. M. Kempton.

10.00 p.m. (Senior Men's Doubles): R. Tay and P. H. Wong v. R. Young and B. Funk.

## TODAY'S TENNIS

This evening's tennis tournament matches at the Hongkong Cricket Club are:

Court 1: Ho Ka-lau and Fung Ol-lam v. Lee Wal-long and K. H. Ip (Umpire: C. W. L. Way).

Court 2: D. J. Leonard and L. F. de Souza v. Tsai brothers (Umpire: K. A. Cook).

## Club Singles

Court 3: B. T. M. Jones v. G. B. Smart.

Court 4: P. H. Bonnerman v. A. Furrer.

Court 5: Dr. H. Meyer v. R. Segalen.

Court M. D. Nolan v. F. V. Harrison (Replay).

Handicap Singles  
Court 6: W. Stoker v. J. Barrow.

Dark Blues Win  
Athletics

London, Mar. 12.—Three University records were broken today during the Oxford and Cambridge Universities sports at White City, in which Oxford beat Cambridge by 72 points to 54.

All three records were set by Oxford runner, Roger Bannister, ran the mile in four minutes 10.2 seconds; A. Lloyd Morgan won the three miles in 14 minutes 30.2 seconds and the English international sprinter, N. D. Stacey took the 220 yards in 22.3 seconds, each setting up new figures for these sports.—Reuter.

## Mister Conquest





# FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Good Opening Lead Sets This Contract

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

DO you remember the three Pickens sisters? Jane Pickens dropped in to see me the other day. She said that she had played a little game called "My Silent Love." Jane is always introducing a new song on her programme, "The Jane Pickens Show," heard on Sunday afternoon. A few weeks ago she introduced the song entitled "One Sunday Afternoon."

Jane told me that Michael T. Gottleb is giving her bridge lessons. While Mike's name is not in the bridge news often these days, he was recognised as one of the world's best. When it came to opening leads, you could always depend upon Mike. Take today's hand, for example. The average player probably would lead the king of diamonds against the four heart contract, but not Mike. He led the ace of diamonds, and continued with the three-spot.

There may be some declarer who would go up with the

♠ Q874	♥ J93	♦ Q84	♣ J3
Gottleb	W	E	102
♠ KJ63	♥ Q74	♦ AK3	♣ 1072
W	N	E	S
♠ A K 10 8 2	♥ A K 10 8 2	♦ A K 10 8 2	♣ A K 10 8 2
South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening—♦ A			

queen in dummy, but I doubt it. I think anyone would play low and let it ride around to the ten-spot, hoping that East would have to go up with the king.

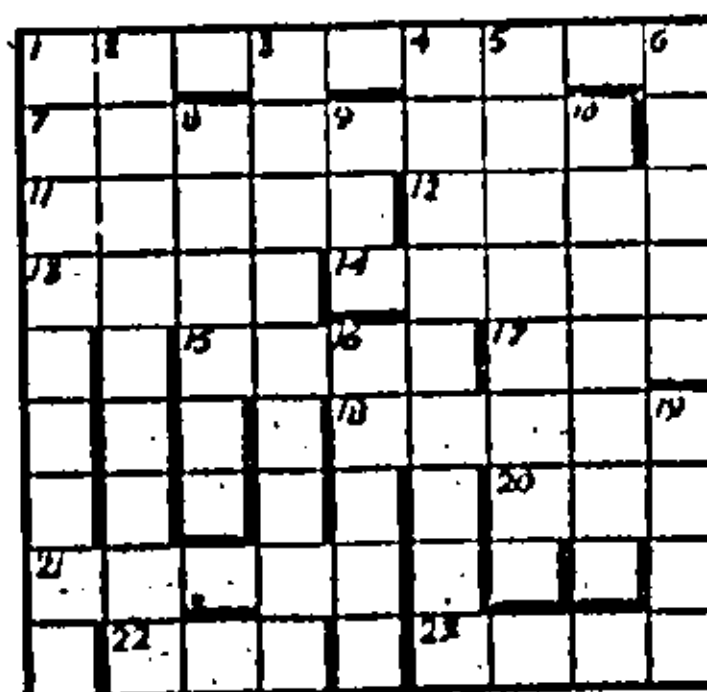
But East won the trick with the jack and immediately returned a diamond, which Mike won. With a spade and dummy's queen won. But there was nothing declarer could do that would prevent Mike from making the queen of hearts, and setting the contract one trick.

## Check Your Knowledge

- On which side of a man's hat is the bow placed?
- Who was in charge of the building of the Panama Canal?
- Name the commander of the American fleet in the Battle of Manila Bay during the Spanish-American War.
- Did Beethoven compose most of his great symphonies before or after he became deaf?
- The Arabian Sea is part of what ocean?
- What is yerba mate?

(Answers at foot of Column.)

## CROSSWORD



1. Across  
1. It makes the accent (3)  
2. Twenty cores (4)  
3. A noisy (4)  
4. A dead (4)  
5. A dead (4)  
6. A dead (4)  
7. A dead (4)  
8. A dead (4)  
9. A dead (4)  
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18. A dead (4)  
19. A dead (4)  
20. A dead (4)

## CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

- Answers  
1. The left side. 2. George Washington. 3. Commodore George Dewey. 4. After he became deaf. 5. The Indian Ocean. 6. A beverage used in South America instead of tea.

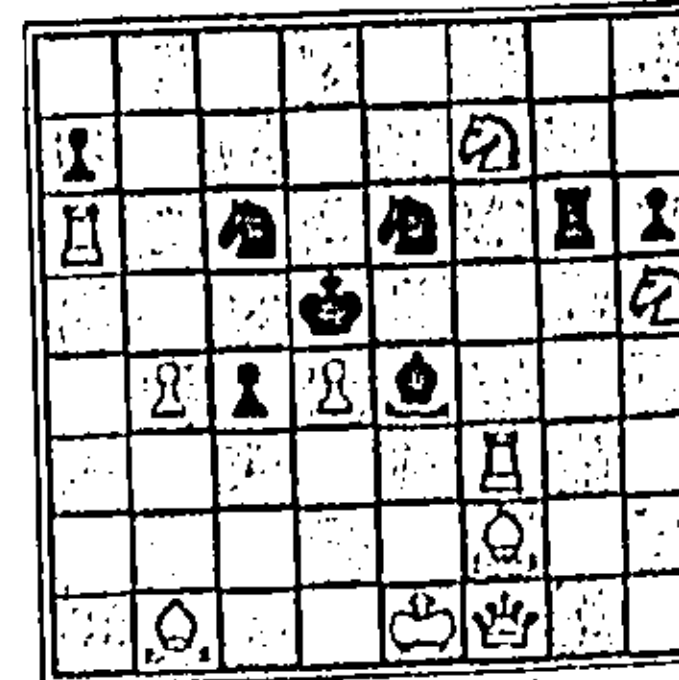
## DUMB BELLS

I WROTE YOUR NAME IN THE DUST ON THE PIANO!  
I KNOW YOU DID MAM AND YOU SPEL IT WRONG



## CHESS PROBLEM

By S. F. E. FLATAU  
Black, 8 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.

Solution to Saturday's problem:

1. K-R8. 2. B-B4. 3. Kt-B4. 4. B-B2. 5. Q-Q7. 6. B-B4. 7. Kt-B4. 8. Q-Q7. 9. Kt-B4. 10. Q-Q7. 11. Kt-B4. 12. Q-Q7. 13. Kt-B4. 14. Q-Q7. 15. Kt-B4. 16. Q-Q7. 17. Kt-B4. 18. Q-Q7. 19. Kt-B4. 20. Q-Q7. 21. Kt-B4. 22. Q-Q7. 23. Kt-B4. 24. Q-Q7. 25. Kt-B4. 26. Q-Q7. 27. Kt-B4. 28. Q-Q7. 29. Kt-B4. 30. Q-Q7. 31. Kt-B4. 32. Q-Q7. 33. Kt-B4. 34. Q-Q7. 35. Kt-B4. 36. Q-Q7. 37. Kt-B4. 38. Q-Q7. 39. Kt-B4. 40. Q-Q7. 41. Kt-B4. 42. Q-Q7. 43. Kt-B4. 44. Q-Q7. 45. Kt-B4. 46. Q-Q7. 47. Kt-B4. 48. Q-Q7. 49. Kt-B4. 50. Q-Q7. 51. Kt-B4. 52. Q-Q7. 53. Kt-B4. 54. Q-Q7. 55. Kt-B4. 56. Q-Q7. 57. Kt-B4. 58. Q-Q7. 59. Kt-B4. 60. Q-Q7. 61. Kt-B4. 62. Q-Q7. 63. Kt-B4. 64. Q-Q7. 65. Kt-B4. 66. Q-Q7. 67. Kt-B4. 68. Q-Q7. 69. Kt-B4. 70. Q-Q7. 71. Kt-B4. 72. Q-Q7. 73. Kt-B4. 74. Q-Q7. 75. Kt-B4. 76. Q-Q7. 77. Kt-B4. 78. Q-Q7. 79. Kt-B4. 80. Q-Q7. 81. Kt-B4. 82. Q-Q7. 83. Kt-B4. 84. Q-Q7. 85. Kt-B4. 86. Q-Q7. 87. Kt-B4. 88. Q-Q7. 89. Kt-B4. 90. Q-Q7. 91. Kt-B4. 92. Q-Q7. 93. Kt-B4. 94. Q-Q7. 95. Kt-B4. 96. Q-Q7. 97. Kt-B4. 98. Q-Q7. 99. Kt-B4. 100. Q-Q7.

## BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Mr. Punch Could Do Anything

—He Even Talked to a Robin on the Phone—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, were surprised when they entered the playground to find their friend Mr. Punch. What was so surprising was that it wasn't a regular telephone. It was a toy, telephone. It had some wires, but as Knarf and Hanid could not see, none of the wires went into any of the walls. They just lay coiled very comfortably in Mr. Punch's lap. Nevertheless, there he was speaking in a very loud voice.

On noticing Knarf and Hanid standing beside him, Mr. Punch said into the telephone: "Just a moment, Red. Knarf and Hanid have just come into the room." Then Mr. Punch turned with a smile to Knarf and Hanid and explained: "I'm talking to Robin Redbreast. He just called me from down South where he's spending the winter."

Knarf and Hanid gasped in astonishment. You're talking to a robin on the telephone!" cried Hanid.

"No one can speak to robins on the telephone!" added Knarf.

A Wonderful Thing

Mr. Punch only smiled again.

"The telephone is a wonderful thing," he said, "if you get the right number, you can talk to anyone. Please pardon me—I have to finish speaking."

Rupert's Elfin Bell—34



Now that this journey has been successful, Rupert begins to go back to his home in the Elfin Bell. He says as they go back into the Galle, "Do tell me what you have to do." Suddenly they hear running feet, and next minute Bill and the smaller elf dash up to join them. "Oh, Rupert, thank goodness I've found you again," shouts the little badger. "What's going on here? What is this place?" The Elf Leader smiles. "Here's another inquisitive person," he says.

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BRONCHO BILL

Mob Verdict

By Harry F. O'Neill



## AROUND THE WORLD

Tropical Island of Borneo

By TEMPLE MANNING

BORNEO, lying between Celebes and the Malay Peninsula, is the third largest island in the world. It is carved up like the proverbial melon. The northwest portion is British North Borneo, and southwest of this division is Brunei, also British controlled. The remainder of the semi-independent region of Sarawak, which is now a British colony. The remainder of the island of Borneo has been part of the Dutch colonial empire.

It is a mountainous island, with most of the chains radiating from the central region, with the highest peak, Mt. Kinabalu, 13,451 feet high, set within 75 miles of the extreme northern tip of the island. Sluggish, winding rivers offer the only means of inland transportation, which means, of course, that the native population tends to live beside them.

Tropical Island Borneo is a real tropical island, well watered, extensive, lying directly on the equator. It is hot and terribly humid, and those that administer the island and run its industries really earn their money. One season runs into another, so there is no relief from the sticky heat. Few days are without rain, and in the season between November to May the tropical storms are dreadful. The mineral wealth is tremendous, with the oilfields the main attraction. One of the greatest fields in the Far East

is on Borneo—Balkpapan—and there is another good prospecting field on the off-shore island of Takanak, near the northern coast. The British fields, closely grouped together, are at Brunei and Sarawak. Gold, diamonds, coal, rubber and resin are other important sources of wealth. Then there is the fragrant, aromatic spices, a trade empire in themselves.

No Large Towns There are no large towns on the island. The capital of Dutch Borneo is Banjarmasin, on the Barito river near the south coast. There is Samarai, near the mouth of the Kulai river, and Pontianak, near the mouth of the Kapuas river, both small commercial centres.

Kuching or Sarawak is the capital city of Sarawak. Sandakan in British North Borneo, and Brunei in British North Borneo are the only other centres of any importance.

Much of the island is steamy, moist jungle, with well-nigh impenetrable growths of ferns, orchids and parasitic plants. Tree growth is rich, including a wonderful, impressively large tree—the tapan.

Small tigers and small panthers are at home in the sudden jungles. Crocodiles lurk in the swamps as do snakes, from giant boa constrictors down to small but dangerous adders. Animals include a deer that is the size of a hare, and there are flying frogs.

(Tomorrow—Science At Work.)

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, MARCH 14

BORN today, you have a talent for the professions which call for exactness. You may find your best field in music, mathematics or the sciences. If untrained in these, you will be good at management accounting, statistical work or that of the laboratory technician.

It is likely that no matter what your work is, you always will love music and may wish to become proficient on some instrument for your own enjoyment, if not as a professional performer. You want everything in life to be full of movement, colour and excitement. But your definition of "excitement" is not always social amusement. Something new in the field of ideas can prove

as exciting to you as anything else in the world. You have a genial personality and know how to mix well with varying types of people. But you have to like a group of people to put "yourself" on. Otherwise you may prefer to remain with the friendship of your books and studies. Once you have given your friendship it is for life and your loyalties are very deep indeed. Your marriage—even if a late one—should be very happy.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—An unexpected occurrence may unexpectedly occur. Plans, obstacles may be overcome easily if you are forewarned.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—An unsteady day for most programme, although emotional interests appear to be in an excellent aspect.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Favourable day for business. Postpone important decisions until after luncheon, if you can.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Lack of harmony is evident right now, so be very careful of all contacts, business or social.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Uncertainty and delayed news can be the cause for careful thinking. Be understanding with those who are sorrowful.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Take care of business affairs during the morning hours. Be careful of personal matters in the afternoon.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Make sure that you are taking the proper care of your health. Avoid over-exposure. Regulate your habits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Morning hours are all right, but conflict may arise during the afternoon. Be prepared to exert tact.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Protect your health and guard your budget. Business prospects look better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—The fair sex may cause difficulties today, so be as diplomatic and understanding as possible.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Plans begun yesterday may be profitably developed this morning. Slow down when afternoon comes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Be diplomatic and don't insist upon impulsive decisions. Mind over matter is the best rule!

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

31 CRICKETERS SNUBBED It has occurred to me that if, throughout the coming year, I use cricket headlines for my paragraphs, people will say, "Ah! We must get that paper. It has a column about cricket every day; even in the winter. What enterprise!"

Japanese out for a duck

I REPORTED the other day, with restraint and good taste, the incident in the Japanese Parliament when the Finance Minister chased Miss Yamashita along a lobby, roaring words of love, caught her ("to him" as the she-novelists say), and rained kisses on her upturned face. I see now that two other members have quarrelled violently about it. One threw down a glove and challenged the other to a duel. "But," says my paper proudly, "the man who was challenged was a Liberal." His answer was to file a suit. "It is more democratic," he said. Good old Japan! Thus, we hope, would our own Liberal M.P.s act in a similar situation.

A sticky wicket

THE rumour that a nephew of Captain Foulmouth may enter Narkover next term has created great excitement in the scholastic world. It is known that the Captain and Dr Smart-Alick met a few days ago, and their conversation is said to have turned on the financial aspect of the affair. The Captain, not up to a duck, "the man who was challenged was a Liberal." His answer was to file a suit. "It is more democratic," he said. Good old Japan! Thus, we hope, would our own Liberal M.P.s act in a similar situation.

Homburger sandwich

A MAN saw the word hamburger on a menu the other day, and at once ordered one. After one bite into a substance like the rim of an old hat, he took his pencil and changed the "a" to an "o."

## UK Seeks New Agreement With Russia

London, Mar. 12.—A new agreement today that Britain had asked Russia to reopen negotiations on an Anglo-Soviet trade agreement.

Board of Trade officials said that Britain now wanted a one-year trade pact with Russia. Negotiations for a long-term agreement broke down in January, and Britain has given up hope of a long-term agreement at present. The new Anglo-Soviet negotiations are proposed in a note which Mr Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, has sent to Moscow. The details have not been released, but the note presumably went to the newly appointed Soviet Minister of Foreign Trade, M. Menshikov. — United Press.

## PI Biggest Buyer Of US Cigarettes

Washington, Mar. 13.—The Philippines are America's best customer for cigarettes, with a total of 11,500,000 imported last year.

That was close to half of all US cigarette exports, and more than double America's pre-war shipments to the entire world. Between them, the Philippines and Hongkong smoked 12,240,000 American cigarettes in 1948. Hongkong's share was 740,000,000.

Total US exports for the year were 25,000,000. This represents 75,000,000 lbs of leaf tobacco. The annual average American exports for the years 1934 to 1938 were less than 5,000,000.

In announcing these figures today the US Department of Commerce attributed the post-war smoking boom to the fact that US armed forces introduced American brands throughout the world during the war.

The value of 1948 shipments was \$87,770,000, compared with \$50,921,000 in 1947. — Associated Press.

## Record East African Sisal Crop Forecast

Washington, Mar. 12.—The Department of Agriculture today said that British East African sisal production in 1948 may reach 400,000,000 lbs.

In 1948 the output was reported to be 357,400,000 lbs, compared with considerably less than 300,000,000 in most recent years.

The increased production was said to be the result principally of a better labour supply.

The Department said that sisal exports from French India were being delayed by the lack of supplies at ports and the revolutionaries continue to intercept the rough rice on its way to the port areas.

It said that if conditions improved, Indo-China might be able to export 600,000,000 lbs this year, but noted that 1948 exports amounted to only 430,000,000 lbs, compared with the pre-war figure of 3,000,000,000 lbs.

The Department also reported that Ecuador's rice crop this year is now forecast at 8,000,000 bushels, or 200,000,000 lbs milled, compared with 6,954,000 bushels or 200,000,000 lbs milled in the previous harvest. — United Press.

## Italo-German Trade Pact

Frankfurt, Mar. 12.—The American-licensed "Deutsche Nachrichten" today reported that Italian and Soviet Zone German delegates have signed a \$250,000 trade agreement at Leipzig.

The agreement has been submitted to the Soviet Military Government for final approval. It was said to provide for the supply of machines, glass, chemicals, ceramics dyes, and musical instruments from Germany in return for food, mercury, hemp, sulphur, and pyrites from Italy.—United Press.

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:	
Sterling pound (per £1)	15.12
US dollar (per \$1)	1.17
Gold bars (per 100)	304.50
YIC plates (per 100)	10.75
YIC plates (per 100)	24.20
YIC plates (per 100)	33.00
YIC plates (per 100)	1.25

## Decline In United States Exports To Far East

Washington, Mar. 12.—United States exports to Far Eastern areas amounted to 15 percent of the total of US exports last year, and that total was \$12,614,000,000. The total was an 18 percent drop on the 1947 figures, while imports during the year rose to \$7,070,000,000—23 percent above the corresponding 1947 figure.

These figures were released in an article in the current issue of the foreign commerce weekly publication of the United States Commerce Department.

The article said that the area, including southern and eastern Asia, Australia, New Zealand, and Oceania, had increased in importance as a market for United States merchandise.

It said that exports were approximately the same as in 1947, but showed a decrease of 19 percent from 1936-1938.

Exports to Australia dropped 52 percent, to \$114,000,000 in 1948.

The article said: "This reduction is also accounted for by the objective of the British Commonwealth of Nations of minimising the drain upon the dollar resources of the sterling area."

The report blamed the reduction in exports on, firstly, the diminishing dollar supplies in most foreign countries, which resulted in their tightening up import controls; secondly, the continuing shortage of world supplies of a number of commodities like iron and steel, which caused the United States to restrict the export of these commodities; thirdly, the fact that trade in a number of other commodities had decreased, mainly as a result of the expansion in production abroad, notably in coal and textiles in Europe.

On the other hand there are a few factors which, the article said, tended to sustain the export trade. They included the large United States wheat crop, which enabled it to supply the heavy European requirements of the European Recovery Programme, and the initial operation of duty and other concessions granted by countries participating in the Geneva Conference in 1947.—United Press.

There was an increase of 521,000,000 yards in cloth production, from 3,810,000,000 yards in 1947 to 4,337,000,000 yards in 1948.

Production of cement and paper improved to 1,500,000 tons and 100,000 tons respectively in 1948, as compared with 1,400,000 tons and 93,000 tons in 1947.

Soap production also showed a market rise, from 80,000 tons in 1947 to 100,000 tons last year. The report said that troubles, transport breakdowns, and mechanical failures on the steel industry, the production of which declined from 800,000 tons in 1947 to 850,000 tons in 1948.

The production of coal, glass, and enamel were also declined slightly over the same period.—United Press.

## Benelux Move Toward Free Trade

The Hague, Mar. 12.—Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg today announced that all trade barriers between the three countries will be abolished by July 1, 1950.

The announcement is the first dramatic result of the Marshall Plan's drive to free the flow of goods to help European recovery.

Many western diplomats also hope that it will be the first step to the tearing down of trade restrictions all over Europe.

Sixty-three officials and experts of the Benelux states worked out the programme during a four-day meeting. They announced that by July 1 next year:

1. All economic frontiers among the countries, whether the government control of exports, will be abolished.

2. Benelux currencies will be freely convertible.

3. Belgium and Luxembourg will grant loans to the Netherlands in return for which will be granted all commodities except coal.—United Press.

## HONGKONG SHARES

The turnover on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$328,521.00 Transactions and noon prices:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HSBC	1700	50	1750
INSURANCES			
Canton	700	375	
Union	700	500	630
Underwriters	620	100	360
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	130	130	
N.P. Wharf	614	2000	614
LAND, ETC.			
HSBC	1400	250	14250
HSBC	675	235	
HSBC	13	14	
UTILITIES			
Tram, KD	1000	300	1020
Electric, KD	500	10	
Telephone	250	10	
INDUSTRY			
Central, KD	3614	200	3514
INDUSTRIES, ETC.			
STOICES, ETC.			
Dairy (O)	4014	4114	
Dairy (New)	4114	5314	
Watson, KD	870	200	850
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# Seek To Increase Food Production

## UN AGENCIES' PROGRAMME

### Need \$10,000,000

Geneva, Mar. 13.—Two United Nations agencies have drawn up a programme to increase world food production by joint action in introducing better agricultural methods and reducing diseases hindering farm output in under-developed areas.

The Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO) and the World Health Organisation (WHO) describe their project as in accord with President Truman's inaugural promise to make technical skills available for the growth and improvement of backward areas. The American message called for co-operation of the United Nations in this drive.

The two UN agencies are asking \$10,000,000 for their joint action programme. They hope it will get under way by 1950.

In a report on the project, FAO and WHO say world food production will reach pre-war levels by 1951, granted good harvests. But because the world's population is 150,000,000 greater, supplies "will be substantially below the highly unsatisfactory pre-war food levels," the report says.

The report adds that the world food shortage "is the major continuing factor which profoundly prejudices health, welfare and any hopes of social stability."

WHO has found that food shortages are especially severe where malaria and other "relatively easily preventable diseases" have depleted the ability of the population to work. It finds there are over 200,000,000 cases of malaria annually with at least 3,000,000 deaths, mainly in agricultural areas.

A "vicious circle" exists in many under-developed areas, according to the report. Low standards of health prevent workers from producing in many such areas they have never even known good health.

New weapons such as DDT and penicillin would be used effectively against malaria, plague, typhus, and other diseases holding back farm output, according to WHO.

"Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Latin-America and South-east Europe all have sizeable areas where vigorous action jointly to control disease and to improve food production could be expected to have striking results," the report says.

While the world health body worked on measures to combat disease, FAO, under the project, would introduce suitable agricultural techniques in backward areas. These would include soil conservation, checking of erosion, and drainage, which is closely connected with health conditions.

The two agencies believe that an expenditure of \$10,000,000 for a year would break the "vicious circle" and allow another 1,000,000 or more people to be fed in each succeeding generation.

The project would involve surveys of joint teams of medical, sanitary and agricultural experts. Governments would be asked to make binding agreements to collaborate and follow up the programme of disease control and agricultural development with vigorous national action, as well as to help meet the costs of field work in domestic currencies.

WHO and FAO would conduct six surveys of carefully chosen areas in order to select three of diverse types "which meet their conditions."

The three areas finally selected for the joint project would contain 10,000,000 acres of agricultural land. Annual cost of the project is estimated at about 25 cents an acre over a period of five years, so that the average cost will be about \$2,000,000 a year for five years.

—United Press.

### LANCASTERS' TEST FLIGHT

London, Mar. 13.—Six Lancasters of the Royal Air Force Empire Navigation School at Shawbury, Shropshire, England, will carry out next Tuesday night a high altitude bomber sortie of 1,025 miles against Castel Benito, Tripoli, as the first stage of a training flight to Khartoum, the Sudan, and back.

The machines will return home from Khartoum on Friday via Vayid, in the Canal Zone, Luba and Malta, spending a day at each.

The flight, which will cover 7,000 miles, will be used to test experimental navigation techniques.—Reuter.

## Reds' General Strike Threat

Rome, Mar. 13.—Communist labour leaders threatened the government today with a nationwide general strike if it draws Italy into the Atlantic pact.

The Communists called out paid agitators to work up public opinion against the alliance. The Executive Council of the Communist-controlled National Federation of Labour called a special meeting for 7 p.m. on Monday to discuss plans for the general strike.

"Flash strikes" already have been called as a protest in industrial districts in the north. The Communists blasted posters throughout Rome and other large cities, proclaiming that the "peace time Atlantic pact is a war pact."

Offsetting the Communist posters against the alliance were Christian Democratic Party placards denouncing the Russian foreign policy. Both sides were preparing for a vigorous campaign to influence popular opinion for or against the Italian participation in the Atlantic pact. But because the scheduled Sunday meeting of the Parliament was postponed late on Saturday night, the Communists had no time to organise large demonstrations. Small protest meetings were held throughout the country, however.—United Press.

### Myrna Loy Better

London, Mar. 13.—The film star, Myrna Loy, who underwent an operation for appendicitis in a London nursing home recently, left Northolt Airport today for Rome to convalesce.

She was accompanied by her husband, Gene Markey.—Reuter.

### Mr Eden In Malaya

Penang, Mar. 13.—Mr Anthony Eden, Deputy Opposition leader, who is touring Malaya, arrived here today, in a Royal Air Force plane, accompanied by Commander Allan Noble, Conservative Member of Parliament.—Reuter.

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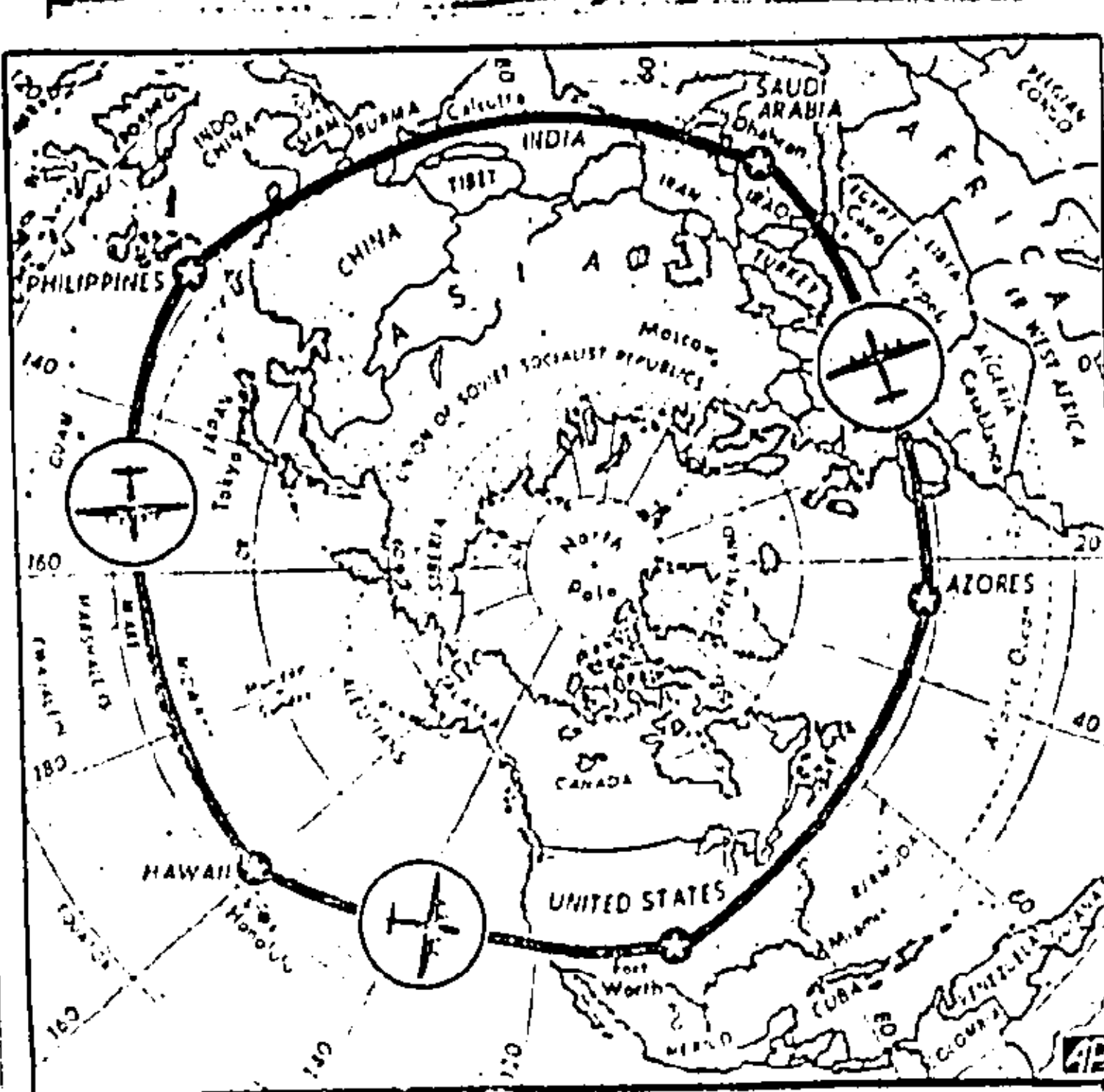
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### Three Dimensional Movies Ready

Hollywood, Mar. 13.—Three dimensional movies that make Lana Turner's curves look even curvier are ready to hit the screen, but no studio will dish out money for the trick.

Joe Valentine, one of movie-land's top cameramen, developed a gadget in 1940 that brings depth to the screen, but it is gathering dust. No studio will cough up enough dough to back the project.

"The two dimensional movies that we have now look flat with flat actors against flat scenery," explains Valentine, who is up for an Oscar for his photographing "Joan of Arc." "We use lighting to try to bring them away from the scenery, and the colours of costumes and sets are chosen carefully so that actors will not melt into the background."

"In three dimensional movies the actor stands out with natural roundness. He appears to be right in the theatre."

Miss Turner looks twice as voluptuous and Humphrey Bogart appears to dash with his gun right into the audience. "Trees look rounder and people look like people, which will be a welcome change. And the movie-goer who gets stuck in a side seat won't have to squint at long thin men on a distorted screen. Miss Turner looks round no matter where he sits."

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Circle Globe In 4 Days

## Atomic Experts To Meet

### But They Will Not Discuss Bombs

London, Mar. 13.—The atom bomb will be taboo as a subject of discussion when 300 world scientists, all experts on atomic energy, meet in Britain at the end of March. Their talks will be strictly confined to the use of atomic energy in chemistry.

Professor Otto Hahn, the first man to split the uranium atom and one of Hitler's leading atomic scientists, will be among the 50 experts from abroad.

A Nobel Prize winner and recently voted the most popular living German, Professor Hahn is expected to speak on his work at Göttingen University.

The United States delegation—Professor R. E. Connelley and Dr. G. Wilkinson, of the University of California, Professor John W. Irving, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Dr. H. A. Wilhelm, of Ames, Ohio, is said to be particularly anxious to meet the 70-year-old, seve-

red-faced German scientist.

### WORKS IN GERMANY

The United States Government after the war wanted Dr. Hahn to work in America, but the British refused. They argued that unless scientific and technical knowledge remained intact in the British Zone, Germany would never become self-supporting.

Dr. Hahn works in Germany under Allied supervision and is still concerned with the use of his discovery as a benefit instead of a ban. His colleague, Dr. F. Strassman, will also address the conference.

Canada is sending two experts—Dr. L. Yaffe and Dr. R. H. Betts, from the Canadian atomic plant at Chalk River, Ontario.

The conference, which will last a week, opens for two days on March 28 at Oxford University. Then the atomic scientists will move to London. The talks have been arranged by the Ministry of Supply's Atomic Energy Research Establishment in conjunction with the Chemical Society.

The aim of the conference is to enable universities, research associations and industrial and government laboratories to become familiar with chemical developments in the field of atomic energy and the ways in which radio, chemical and similar technique can help the investigations.—Reuter.

### The King Makes Progress

London, Mar. 13.—King George, who underwent an operation yesterday to improve the flow of blood to his right foot, is continuing to make normal progress. It was learned at Buckingham Palace last night.

Professor J. R. Leachmouth, who performed the operation—lumbar sympathectomy—remained at the palace throughout the day. The other six doctors who, with Professor Leachmouth, signed a bulletin on the King's condition, issued this morning, did not return to the Palace tonight.—Reuter.

### TIGHT BLANKET

The blanket on free reporting during the past week has been so tight that the Associated Press was refused the right to reply to cables inquiries from its head office.

The usual form is for the censorship authorities to contend afterwards that such restrictions were never imposed or acknowledge that they were made through an error—an error which has been repeated through every case of action or operations in recent months.

There has frequently been considerable military security involved in Tel-Aviv, when military activity has continued through the truces which have been repeatedly broken by major offensives.

There is little question of the right of any country to impose censorship in similar circumstances; but it must be realised by the rest of the world that despite the steady flow of news from this country, it does not necessarily represent free reporting of the actual known facts.—Associated Press.

### HOUSE OWNERS SHOUTED DOWN

Vienna, Mar. 13.—About 100 police cleared the Music Society Hall here today after demonstrators had prevented a meeting of houseowners. The Houseowners Association had called a meeting to protest against social injustice by the recent restriction on maintaining rents at pre-war level, although other prices have risen by 300 percent.

Several hundred demonstrators shouted down speakers for the houseowners. Police intervention proved of no avail against the interruptions and the hall was cleared.—Reuter.

POCKET CARTOON



—It's one of those British buyers trying to slip a fast one over Senor Peron—

### Burma Would Welcome Aid

Karachi, Mar. 13.—U. Po Kin, Burmese Ambassador to Pakistan, said here today that Burma would welcome foreign aid to combat Karen and Communist insurrection.

He told the Pakistan Institute of National Affairs that his Government was able to deal with the internal situation, but "two is better than one."

(The Burmese Government declined an offer of mediation made by Britain, India, Australia and Ceylon after an informal conference in New Delhi last month.)

The Ambassador declared that certain sections of the foreign press had the idea that the Karens were a bulwark against the rising tide of Communism.

But in Capute, Pyu and Toungoo—towns attacked by the rebels—and in the recent attack of Pyaw, the Karens had been "the staunchest henchmen" of the Communists, he asserted.—Reuter.

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